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The years have gone and come but we're still together. Soon you and Ry will be off for Ill and I sincerely wish I were going with you because. My closest friends are you two and I'm going to miss you very much. Best of luck Otto in the future and may you never have women trouble.

Bye-Bye

Jerry.

Dear Mr. Prescott,

What a crab! Really it's been fun working with you and knowing you. I'll never forget the Senior play and what fun we had. Many memories also come to mind about the Reflector staff. Best wishes and loads of luck to a fellow graduate and good friend. As always.

Dorman Chapel

We smoked a swell time and Tuk Chat your Picnic - Do for we always have Fun

Dear Otto,

We sure had fun Lansing but to had about that lovely night reading Lots of Love Marilyn Starling

Dear Otto:

Though you help on the Reflector I have a swell time working with you. Lucky Good luck and Best of Jayne

"Best wishes and success to a swell guy." Bill Varner

Best Wishes and good luck.

Bob

Bob Berkus'

P.S. Remember

1st Class

Dear Otto,

Even though you didn't help on the Reflector I have enjoyed working with you. Best of luck to a swell guy.

Jerry Mallett

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Thanks for your help on the Reflector. I have enjoyed working with you. Best of luck to a swell guy.

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Free Mark Fullmer to Otto Sommer

dear Atto,
thanks for letting me
be the first one to write
in your book. It's been
a lot of fun going to
school and working with
you.

Barbara DeVlieger

Lots of Luck
Virginia Boose

Dear Otto,
since we were
record buddies
orchestra, I
You as one
there was always
influence
and count
I couldn't
the words
I can hear
when you become

Lots of Luck
Barb. Meyer.

Dear Otto,
Best wishes
Bill Weems

Dear Otto,
It was really fun
fun knowing you.
Remember the Comic
Many and many
Remember the Graduation
Convention committee meeting?
Fun really Carlin Funny!
I hope you stay Rich, oh
but I'll like me I know
you Little Rue.
Always, Love
Elroy Quee

Lots of Luck
Elaine Bergeron

Dear Ottie,

I know that you will be one of few people I'll always remember. You have been one of the true friends I've had at Union. I've been able to express myself honestly and directly whenever I was in your company. You had the rare gift of making me feel 'special' and yet perfectly at ease. A mere 'thank you' sounds so very inadequat

Whenever I think of Union I'll remember you and whenever I think you I'll remember the wonderful friend-ship. I believe is ours. I'll remember how carefully and delicately you held your 'fiddle'; how completely you would lose yourself in a discussion and then how excited you'd get when you'd try to prove your point; the fun we had in halls and classes; all our dances and proms; senior plays, Frolics and class night. You see it seems that whenever a group gathered you would be there or we'd be there together and always have a wonderful time, without the slightest sign of strain, just completely free and natural.

I know you'll succeed in whatever you undertake because you have all the qualities a successful person must possess. I sincerely hope that your life will be long and filled with all the joys that make life full and rich and worth living. God bless y

Love

Lorraine

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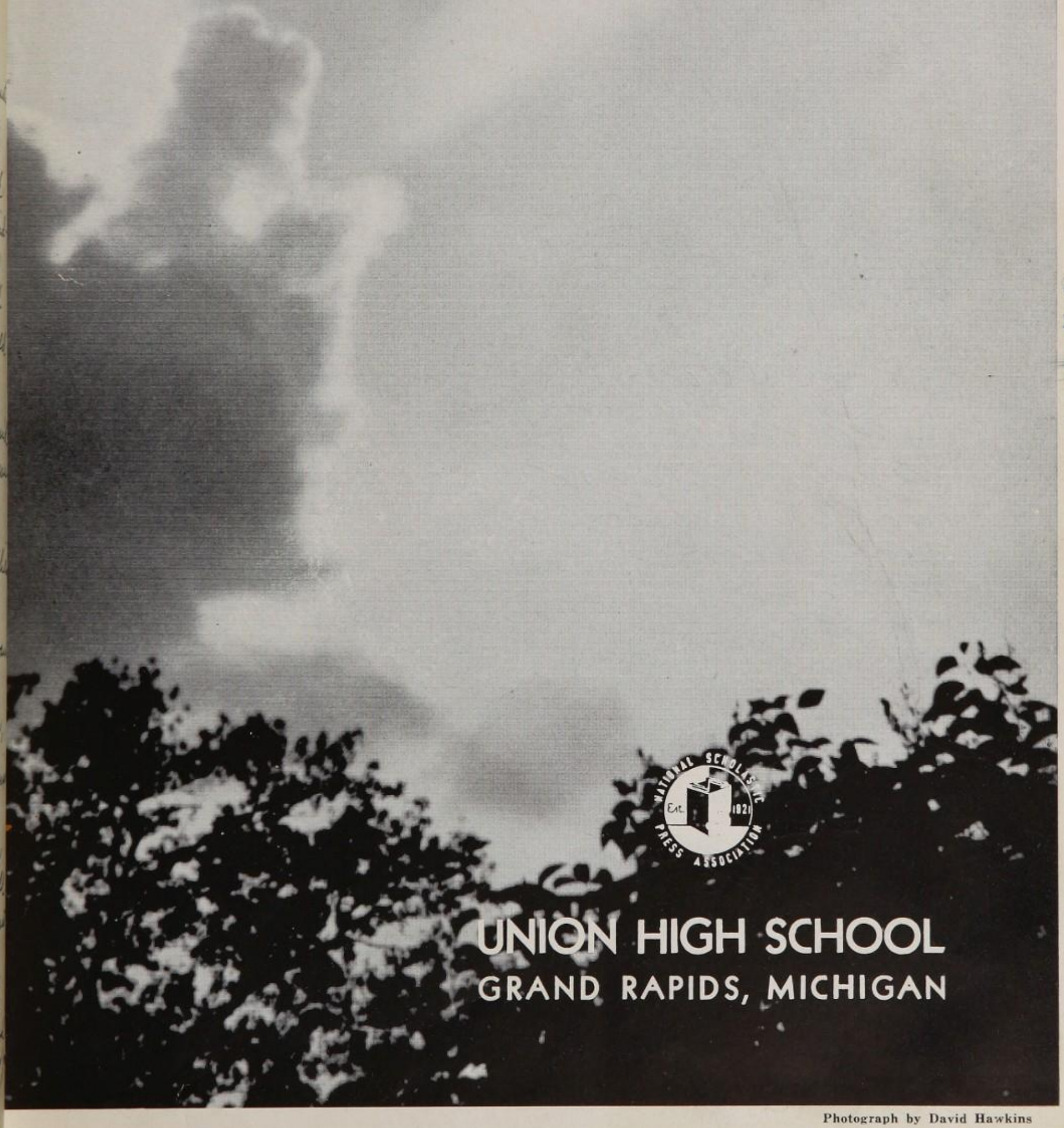

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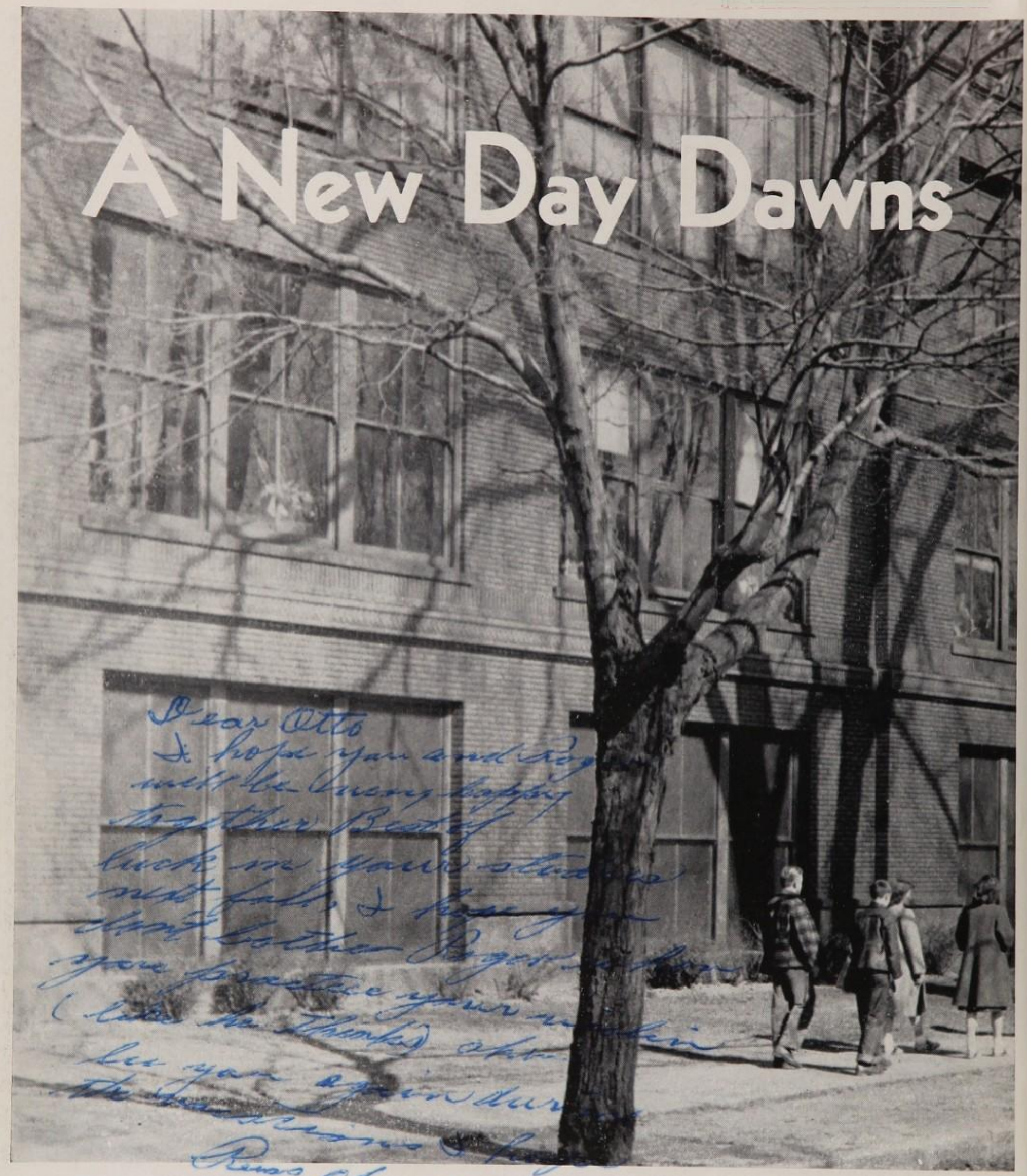
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

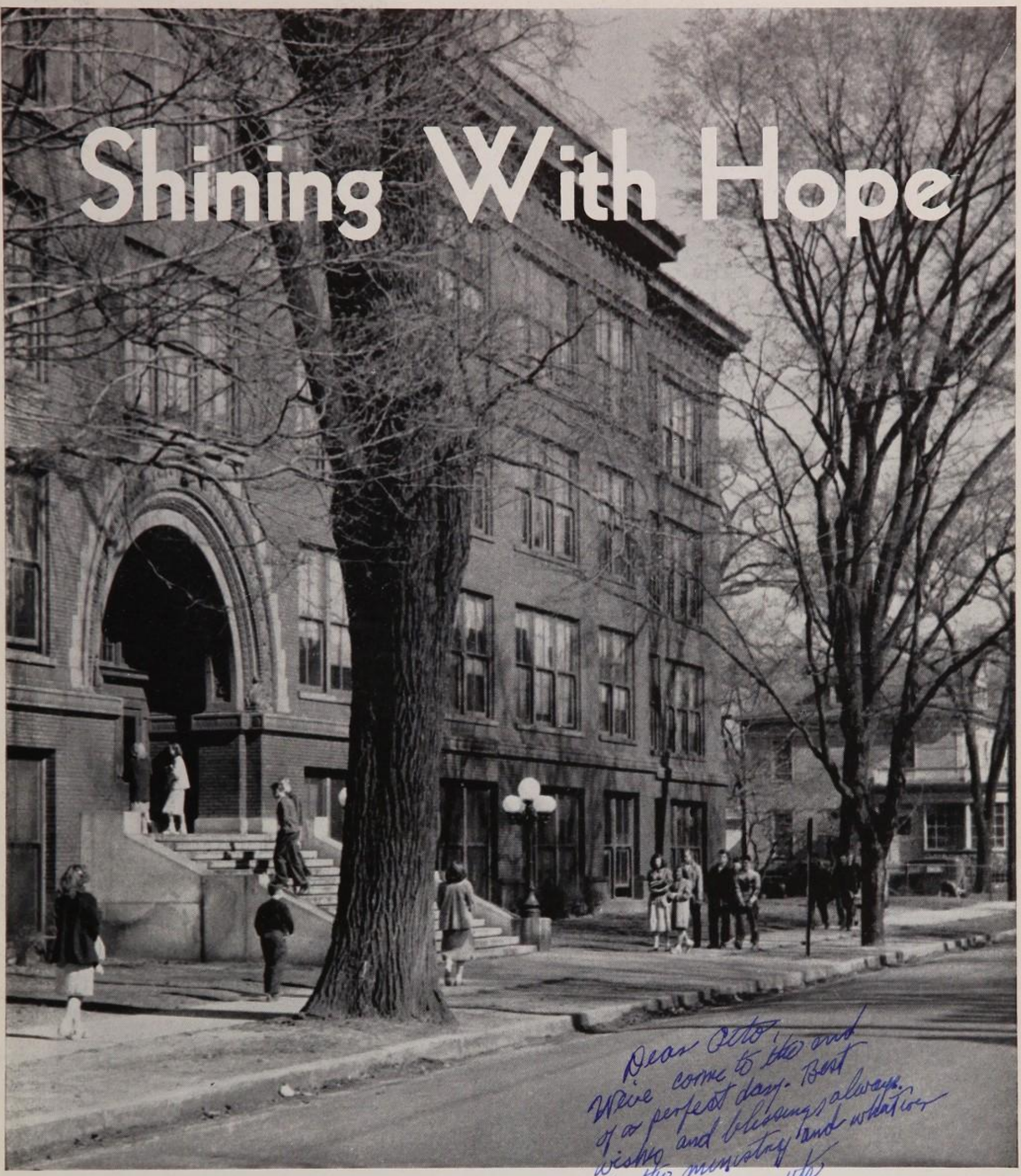
Photograph by David Hawkins

A New Day Dawns



Once again the sun rises on a bright new day with the promise of a fresh new hope for fellowship, fun accomplishment, and fulfillment.

Shining With Hope



Dear Peter,
We've come to the end
of a perfect day. Best
wishes and blessings always.
in the ministry and wherever
you do. Yuki

Students of Union walk with strength and confidence, ready with light but knowing hearts to face the brave challenge of a new day.

How Bright Is Its Promise Of

Susie and Sonny Sunbeam, Union's bright rays of hope, feel that fun, companionship, and service are necessary to any day.

Aware that brightness and light do not thrive without strength and vigor, Susie and Sonny strive to make healthy bodies.

Culture, Fellowship, Growth!

Seekers after knowledge are Susie and Sonny, for their bright new day must be founded on facts.

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SCHOOL LIFE

Dear Otto.

Here wishing you all the success in the world. Remember when I used to come to your house and you played for me. I never had such fun before. You playing your violin and me singing. I will always remember you and your playing.

Sincerely,
Dorothy Blum

Dear Otto,
Here's hoping you experience all the happiness and success you should come to have.
Bernice

Gay Sunbeams Dance
Through Day of School

Dear Bette,

Good luck and happiness on your climb to the long ladder of success. I know you will reach what ever goal you may strive for because your plenty way of getting things done. Don't forget the fun we had here at Unit 1 and don't forget our friendship either.

Dick.

Merry Is the Morn

The halls of Union are bleak and desolate early in the morn, but, as the sunbeams stream through the windows, bright-eyed students begin to saunter through the school. One by one athletes gather at the table near homeroom 225 and laughingly relate gay escapades of the night before. Blomeling, Houseman, Doornbos, Taylor, Roh, Pindar, Alkema, and McKelvy exchange angles on sports and class activities until the bell summons them to study.

"Are you goin' to see 'The Frollies'?" "What time is the game?" "See her swishing skirt and petticoat!" Susie and Sonny Sunbeam prick up their ears for tidbits of noisy chatter by Unionites at their lockers. Books are lost and discovered again, and intimate secrets are exchanged while locker doors clatter and slam shut. Catching up on the latest news are Phyllis Fex, Gerry Davidowski, Bill Eldred, and Dick Czurak.

There is a din of conversation in the halls and then the tardy bell rings. Late arrivers scurry to their homerooms and Union's halls become silent for a fifteen-minute homeroom period. Absences are excused, roll taken, and the informative bulletin is read to students who are hastily completing homework or quietly discussing school topics. In homeroom 142 Erma Hansen reads the news-filled bulletin.

"Here is a dime for a bag of popcorn." "I need pencils and paper!" " Do you have change for a dollar?" Alice Van Portfleet, Leonard Caminer, Beverly Koolman, Jerry Curtice, and Phyllis Van Setters zestfully sell Unionites vital school supplies and tempting mid-day snacks. Patience, salesmanship, and cheerfulness are traits which the busy beavers in the school store show in order to keep customers coming back.

Happy Is the Day

Singing along the highways of school life are Union's own quartet, the Brigadeers, who are becoming famous throughout the West Side, by performing at a variety of clubs. The silver toned first tenor is Ken Brown; the melody carrier, Roger Bauer; Dick Webber's clean tones uphold the baritone spot, while Russ Christopher supplies the bass.

With a mad dash, famished "brainsters" rush with open mouths to the after-school snack sales. "How much?" "Two, please," chant the crowds. Eagerly waiting to be served a luscious doughnut, chocolate e'clair, or Dixie cup are, left to right, Dorothy Blum, Gerry Davidowski, Phyllis Pex; second row, Norma Cook, Elaine Vander Hoff, and Bill Eldred.

The much anticipated 11:30 has arrived! Eagerly consuming home-packed lunches are students of room 129. Between munches, gossip and school life are merrily discussed. Sports rate tops in the conversation due to the fact that Don Van Allsburg, Willard Watson, Bernard Zoet, along with Donna Van Daalen, Pat Joustra, and Marilyn Zeeff, reside in room 129.

September 19 was a warm day, and glad were they that held tickets for the Traverse City excursion. With joy, hope, and anticipation the eager students boarded the train, excited over the football game that was to follow. Tired and exhausted from swaying and staggering are left to right: Nita Wimmer, Sally Wiersma, Sheila Kampschulte, Pat Laban, and Frances Millhoupt.

Impressed by the "new look', many G.U.C. girls paraded their quaint hair-dos for the judges in a hair style show innovated this year by Mrs. Black. Bright smiles and graceful carriages set off the various styles. Left to right are the judges and the girls whose hair-dos took top place: Susan Dargie, "Pop" Early, June Lapinski, Barbara Dauksza, Lorraine Dozniak, and Mr. Freeman.

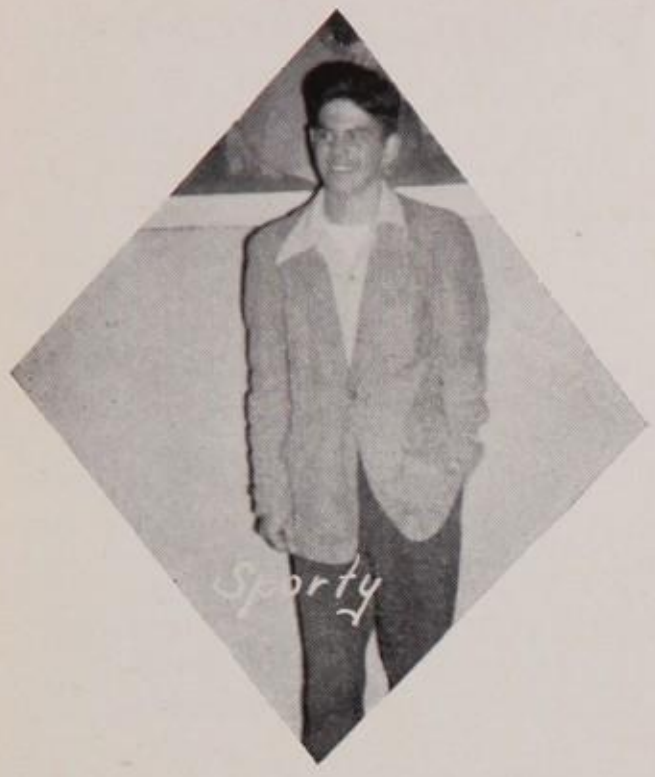
Gladly They Serve

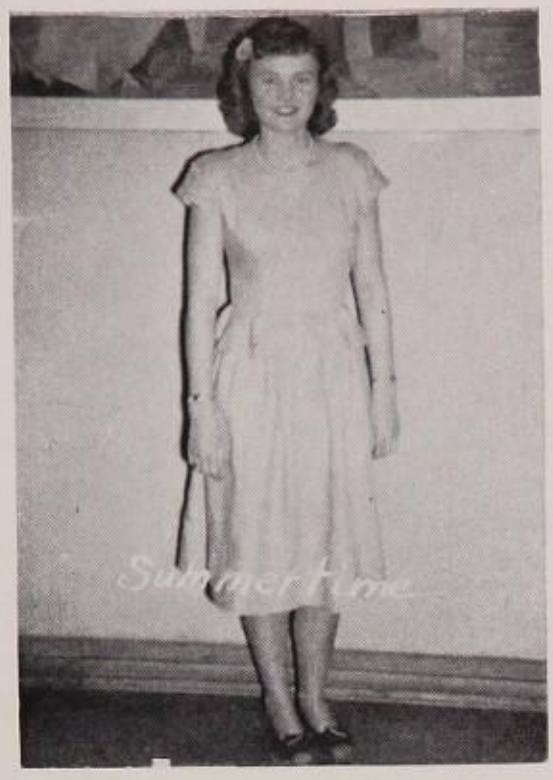
Trying to account for that elusive "lost nickel" after the turmoil of a busy noon of figuring bills and counting change are Donna Mackey, Donna Girschle, Beverly Finstrom, Gloria Chicky, and Shirley Strobridge, student cashiers.

Cooks supreme, Mrs. Minnie Owen, Mrs. Nona Apel, and Mrs. Lavina Dauser, Union's cafeteria workers, take pride in the many customers who enthusiastically eat their appetizingly prepared dishes. Mrs. Rose Schauer, cafeteria director, estimates that three tons of food have been consumed this year by hungry Unionites and teachers.

Susie and Sonny Sunbeam would find it difficult to brighten the halls of Union and the lives of other Unionites if John MacGiela, Russell Eggleson, Will Reed, John Schaaphok, Steve Mikluski, C. D. Blum, Everett Ormsby, and Peter Godfrey, alble custodians, and if Martha Batchelder, helpful janitress, did not give their services.

Fashions of '48





Lure of the Stage

These husky dollies whose quaint, flare-skirted costumes and artfully rolling eyes convulsed Frollies audences are Wagenka, Pindar, Van Allsburg, Conklin, Vander Laan, Timmerman, Levanduski, Pierson, Loosenort, and Cudney.

"There's no business like show business," caroled the hearts of some ninety Unionites on the evenings of March 3 and 4, for after weeks of sewing costumes, painting props, arranging details, and practicing, seemingly without end, the night of the Frollies had arrived. The difficult preparations, plus the thrill of hearing the resounding hand claps of the appreciative audiences, helped them to realize the real meaning behind the theatrical code, "The show must go on!"

"Good things come by the dozen", says any baker, and these "sweet" Junior Frolliettes, whose lively dancing feet prove the entertainment value of "young uns", number exactly twelve. Costumed in polka dots and ruffles, they are, left to right: Edsinga, Irwin, Chirgwin, Irwin, Heslinga, Coleman, Spratling, Pease, Harmsen, Lindberry, Stenken, and Petrovitch.

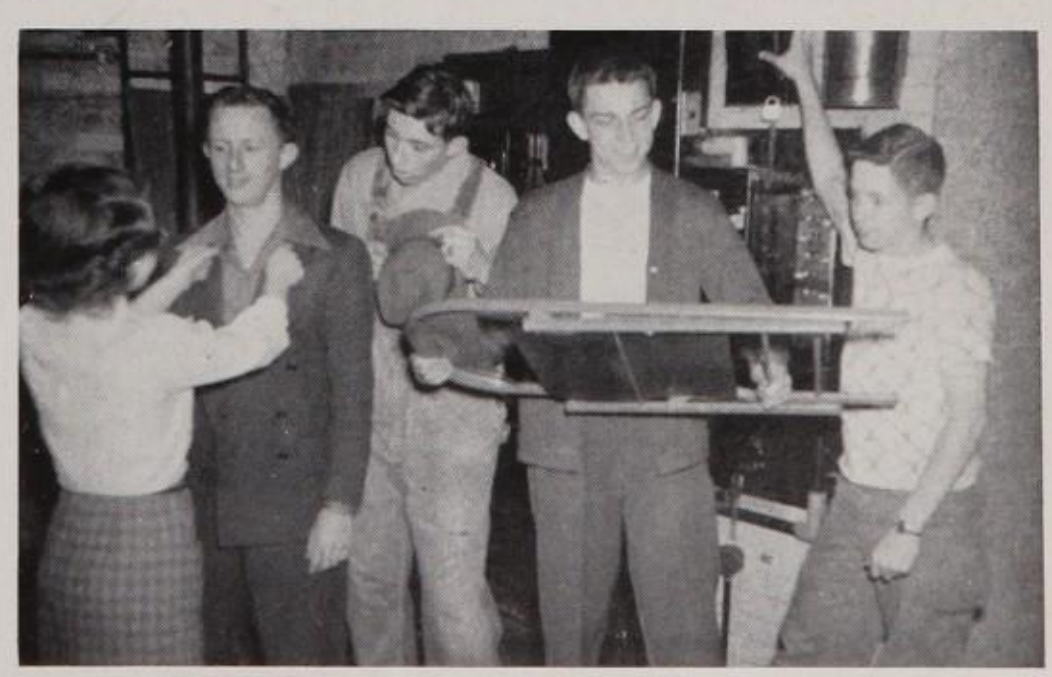
Pointing dainty toes and smiling merrily, the beruffled Frolliettes of '48 beguilingly tapped their ways into the hearts of enthusiastic Frollies-goers. Left to right these bewitching maidens are Blink, Faulkner, Van Portfleet, Wilder Nyberg (missing from picture), Joustra, Ver Howe, Vander Werff, Gigowski, Berry, Joustra, Koolman, Van Daalen, and Wilder. The Frollies were sponsored by the senior class and the Union High Community Council.

Captures Unionites

Apologizing for bursting into the Fuller household during a cloudburst are (center) Clayton Evans (Curtis Verschoor) and Rena Leslie (Gloria Chicky), actors with the company at the summer theater. Listening attentively are (left to right) Madge Fuller (Beverly Firstrom); Newton Fuller (Harold Van't Hoff); his wife, Annabelle Fuller (Marilou Wilder); and Steve Eldridge, Madge's boyfriend (Cedric Pierson).

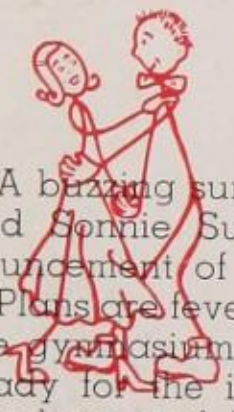
Shaking hands with Uncle Stanley (John Heeren, extreme right) is Tommy (Dick Webber), a weekend guest, in a scene from "George Washington Slept Here," senior play given February 12 and 13. Introducing the guests is Newton Fuller (Harold Van't Hof, left), while Annabelle Fuller (Marilou Wilder, extreme left) looks on. Others are Leggett (Ronald Cole), Miss Wilcox (Phyllis Van Setters), and Sue (Sally Wiersma).

A broken stage banister, a modest profit in the treasury, and happy, but weary smiles on the faces of cast members and stage hands were the results of the senior play, "George Washington Slept Here." Numerous titters, giggles and guffaws were provided by the creditable performances of the seventeen grease-painted actors and actresses. Deftly manipulating curtains, ably controlling lights, and magically changing scenes, the back stage workers did their necessary bits toward making the play a success.



Checking Otto Sommer's outfit is Helen Sachs, while Roger Bauer waits his turn. Ken Vande Kopple produces sound effects, while Roger Versluis operates the lights.

Dances Add Zest



A buzzing surrounds the halls and envelops Susie and Sonnie Sunbeam as they hear the first announcement of a coming dance.

Plans are feverishly made, committees chosen, and the gymnasium changed into a luxurious ballroom, ready for the important night. Ticket sellers, coat checkers, and hard stampers are at their stations, ready for the rush, as glamorous Sunbeams begin to arrive.

At home Susie Sunbeam primps, taking many glances into the mirror. Mad worries run through her head -- whether or not Sonny will like her new dress, if she will have a good time.

Sonny drives his newly polished "lizzy" to the front drive, emerges wearing his new suit and tie.

Arm in arm, Susie and Sonnie Sunbeam walk into the dance ready for the wonderful time they always have. This year Susie and Sonny attended such dances as the "Tinsel Tangle," 'Sweetheart Swirl," "Teen Dream," "Rainbow Whirl," and the ever popular 'Junior and Senior Prom."

Vigorously heaping up the shuffle board points at a Friday night co-ed party are, from left to right, Bill Troll, Bill Wiersma, and Emil Morlock.

Preparations for the "Tinsel Tangle," junior class dance, move merrily under the leadership of Swanson, Morlock, Caminer, Wilkens, and Timmerman.

Swingin' and swayin' at the junior class dance amidst Santa Clauses and Christmas Trees are Arlene Berry, Tom Simpson, Beryl Anscer, and Ed Shusta.

F. Vereecken signs his name as Phyllis Van Setters stamps the hands of Mackey, Van Dam, Faulkner and D. Vereecken, before entering the "Sweetheart Swirl."

Denomie and Kurkjean help Hoffman climb the ladder to put up decorations for the "Teen-Dream" as Milewski watches. The dance was sponsored by the Hi-Y and Y-Teens.

Donna Chapel and Marie Kritschgau check the hats, coats, and rubsbers of Pazkowski, Bogardus, Millhoupt, and Schoenfeldt as they join their friends at the senior dance.

Swishing on a misty cloud, Susie and Sonny Sunbeam, attired in their best, are finally at the long anticipated Junior and Senior Prom. Seen dreamily dancing are Nora Hankinson, John Yowaish, Barbara Medd, Al Manne, Joanne Vander Werf, and Bernard Zoet, typical Union "sunbeams." The affair, given by the junior class, was a combination of dancing, watching movies, and eating dainty cookies in the gaily decorated cafeteria.

Time out for refreshments! Among those sipping cokes at the Latin Club Dance are Roger Abel, Barbara Tascott, Dolores Wilkens, and Margie Den Braber.

A huge heart and other romantic decorations provided the setting for the "Sweetheart Swirl." Dancing are Ver Howe, Rozema, Van Daalen, Cudney, Blink, and Mahir.

WORK-OF-THE-SCHOOL

Dear Otto,

Well, I guess it's really here. I know we were all looking forward to it until now. It's been swell knowing you and working with you. I'll never forget the fun we had working on the Reflector and then, of course, the trip to Cleveland. Loads of luck in the future, Otto. I know you'll succeed in whatever you do.

Love,
Sally Hierema

"Prof" Sunbeam Peers
At Sonny's Weird Answers

Past Events Hold

DUNN, LUCILLE—University of Michigan, A.B.; history

ELLINGSON, MAYNARD—Western State A.B.; social science; basketball and baseball coach

GALANT, EDMUND—Central Michigan, B.S.; social science

HENRY, EDWARD—Michigan State Normal, A.B.; social science; football and basketball coach

HOUSTON, KEITH—University of Michigan, M.S.; social science; athletic equipment manager.

KNIESLEY, ESTHER—Michigan State Normal, B.S. social science

Citizen Training

"A better government will make a brighter tomorrow," emphasizes MR. L. RICHARD MAROUSEK in his advanved civics class. The class studies the many divisions of the government and also the organization and functions of political parties. Pointing to a chart outlining the organization of political parties are, left to right, Bob Medukas and George Czuhai, two of Mr. Marousek's pupils. The course trains future leaders in the ways of a democracy, so that all Susie and Sonny Sunbeams may help to bring about the dawn of world piece.

Lesson For Today

LISKEY, ELMER—University of Michigan, M.A.; social science; faculty and business manager of Athletic Association.

MAROUSEK, L. RICHARD—University of Iowa, M.A.; social science; chairman of social science department

STEVENS, ESTHER—University of Michigan, B.M.; social science; Y-Teens adviser

STIEHL, OREN—University of Wisconsin, Ph. B; social science

YOUNG, GERTRUDE—Northwest Missouri State Teachers' College, B.S.; social science; girls' bowling adviser

ZUR MUEHLEN, EMMA—Middlebury College, M.A; history

Globe Trotters

Looking forward to a bright new day when peace again may reign over the world, Susie and Sonnie Sunbeam study their geography lesson on South America with the hope that by becoming acquainted with the customs, languages, and natural resources of South America they may learn how to foster friendly relations between the United States and South America. In Mr. STIEHL'S geography class, Marie Chirgwin points to Rio de Janeiro, a key city of South America. Other countries that play an important part in the resplendent New Day command their interest, too.

English Lights Way

ALBERS, STANLEY—Columbia College, M.A.; speech and government; debate and dramatics coach.

FENNELL, MARY—University of Michigan, M.A.; English; Red Cross and Drill Corps sponsor

FREEMAN, EMERY—University of Michigan, A.B.; English; School Counsellor, junior class adviser, and tennis coach

HESELTINE, MYRTLE—University of Michigan, A.B.; journalism; newspaper and yearbook adviser

KROMER, BEULAH—Western State, A.B.; English

Spell-ing Bound

Primly seated at their desks in MISS FENNELL'S 8-2 English class and deeply engrossed in a spelling test, Susie and Sonny Sunbeam are learning one of the most important aspects of written English. However, as grammar is also very important, Susie and Sonny are duly instructed in the various parts of speech. Learning both how to spell and speak correctly will prove a great asset to them when they are older. The class also reads some of the works of famous authors, for example, Longfellow's Evangeline.

To Future Success

MEYERING, LEONARD—University of Michigan, A.B.; English

PERSCHBACHER, OLGA—University of Michigan, M.A.; English; chairman of English department

QUINLAN, VALORA—University of Michigan, A.B.; English and penmanship

SCHREIBER, MARTHA—Albion College, A.B.; English

WRAY, MARIAN—Hope College, A.B.; English; Bible Club and junior Y-Teens adviser

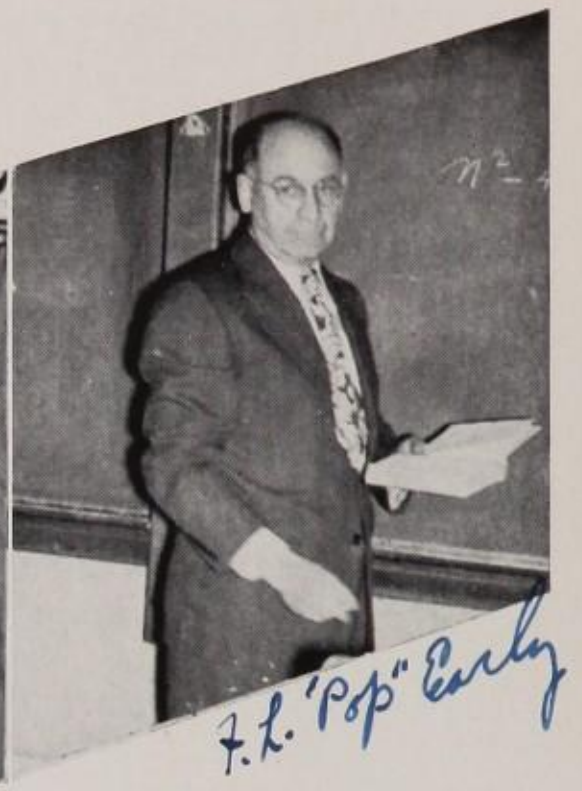
Smiling Filers

"Which is right? I 'affect' you or I 'effect' you?" asks MISS OLGA PERSCHBACHER, sprightly pre-college English teacher. Students in the pre-college English classes find that the dictionary certainly comes in handy in a case like this and also for finding the origin of words or determining syllabication. Spelling and theme-writing demand attention, too. Gaily filing their numerous papers in their cumulatlve record books are, left to right: Danny Sullivan, Carol Anderson, Jerry Tebeau, and Shirley Vander Veen.

Math Work Toughens Reasoning

ATWOOD, NELLE—University of Michigan, A.B.; algebra and geometry; chairman of mathematics department.

DOCKERAY, ELIZABETH—Colmbia University, B.S.; mathematics



EARLY, FLOYD—Western State, A.B.; mathematics; Senior Counsellor and senior class adviser

Dear Otto:-
Here is to fine lad, your personality and good nature should take you far on a happy way Pop.

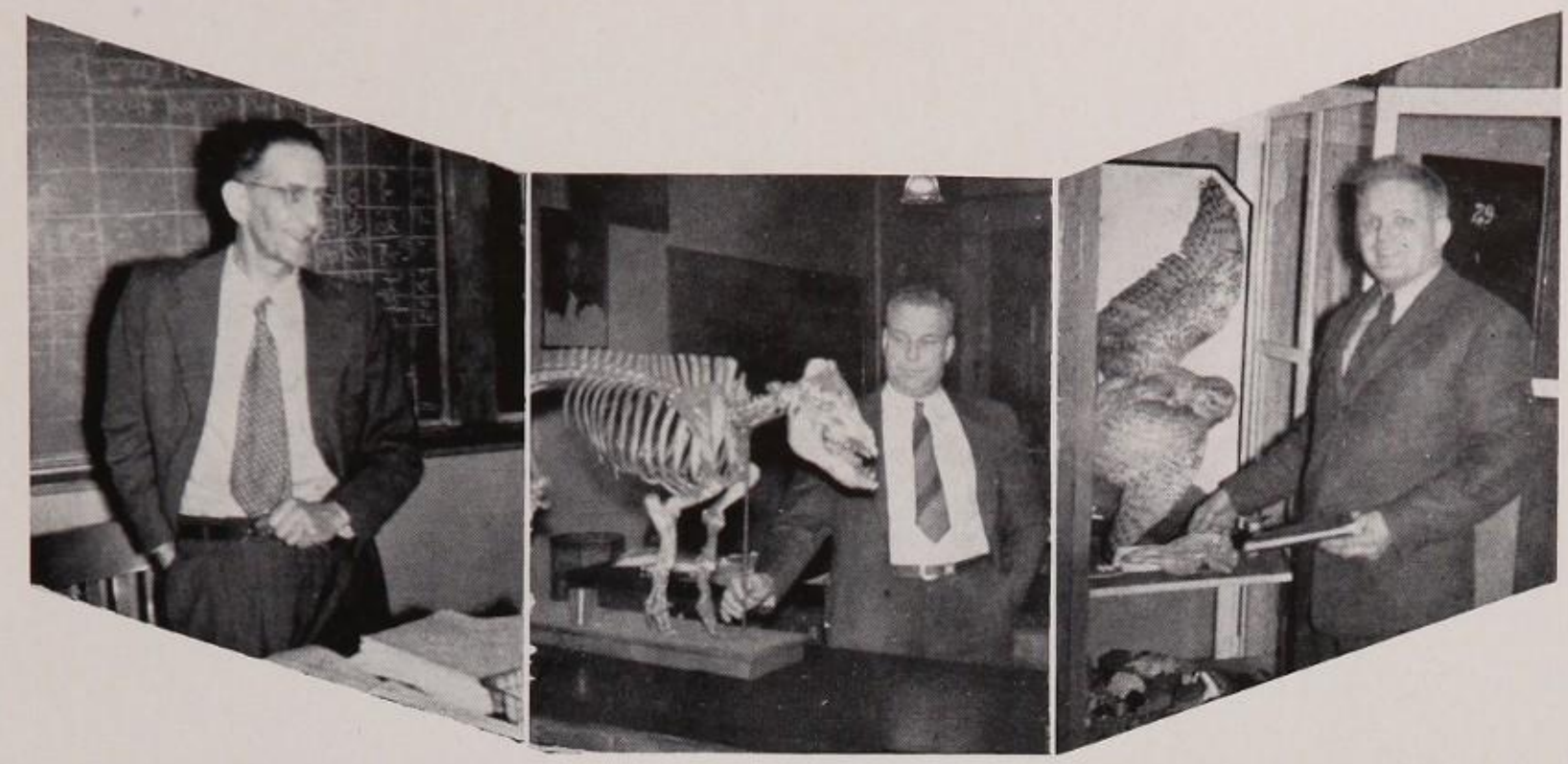
LAIR, FORREST—University of Michigan, M.A.; mathematics

"Sin A equals —"

"No, not sin A, cos A," says "POP" EARLY, master of the trigonometry class, as he guides Susie and Sonny Sunbeam through the fundamental mysteries of "trig," which is the relationship of sides and angles in triangles. In the picture "Pop" Early is helping John Heeren, Russell Henning, Ralph Ludwick learn the six functions of the acute angle. For the most part the students enrolled in trigonometry plan to be engineers or teachers.

McDERMOTT, MARIE—University of Michigan, A.B.; sophomore adviser

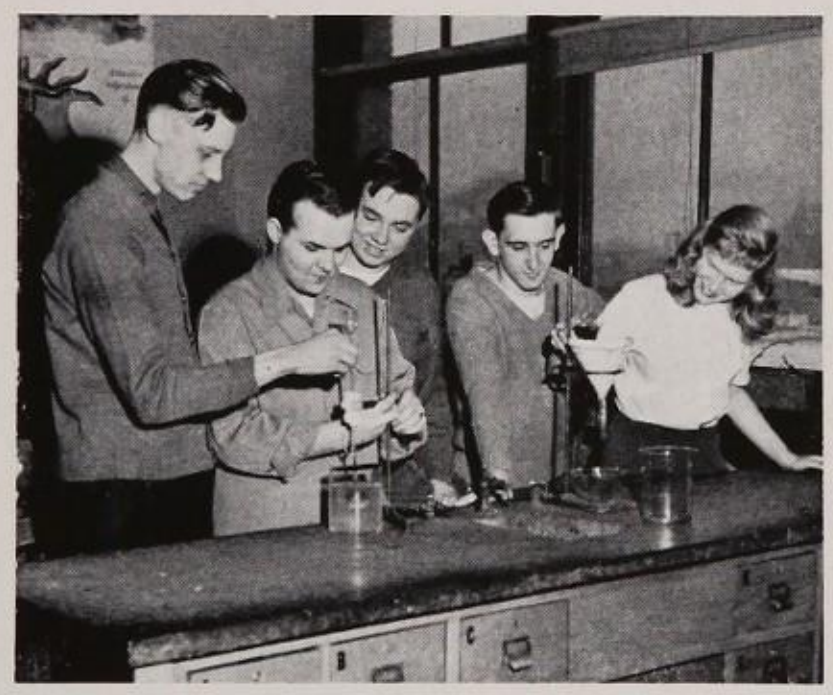
Strange Things They Conquer



BAZUIN, CLAYTON—Hope College, A.B.; chemistry and biology; chairman of science department

HESS, JOHN—George Williams College, B.S.; science and physical education; track coach

PALMER, LOWELL—University of Michigan, A.B.; biology; sponsor, Varsity Club, Athletic Council, boys' bowling



SMELKER, DEXTER — Albion College, A.B.; biology and physiology

Exploring the realm of mystic organism are Jack Kiryanoff, Al Demsey, Carl Sanders, Gordon Weshol-ski, and Beverly Haskins of MR. SMELKER'S biology class. In this subject, the study of living things, students are skillfully guided through the dark world of science until they see the light. Two other instructors in this special field are Mr. Hess and Mr. Palmer. The realm of physics comes under Mr. Voss's animated instruction, and chemistry under the ever alert direction of Mr. Bazuin.

VOSS, FRED—Hope College, A.B.; science and physics

Languages Add Culture

Much emphasis is given to Latin because it serves as a foundation for other languages and as a help for many occupations such as pharmacy, nursing, law, and medicine. Under the instruction of MISS BLAKE, the students make posters showing the impact of Latin on today's English and report on Roman customs and dress.

Spanish, taught by MISS CARPENTER, is a language which is of great value in modern business. Spanish movies are shown to the classes about once each week to give students an idea of how the United States' Pan-American neighbors live. Also, Spanish spelldowns help to provide a stimulating hour.

How did Caesar's troops attack a Gallic town? Gazing with interest at the exhibit prepared by last year's Latin IV class, Dorace Moore and Len Caminer, present students of Caesar's native tongue, are finding the answer.

BLAKE, DOROTHY—Radcliffe, M.A.; Latin; adviser, Latin Club

CARPENTER, RUTH—Middlebury College, M.A.; English and Spanish; adviser, Spanish Club.

Pointing out Rome to her Latin class, which includes John Maxson, Dan Sullivan, Dorothy Skutt, and many others, is MISS BLAKE, Latin instructor. Reading about Ulysses' travels in Homer's Odyssey was one of the high points they experienced.

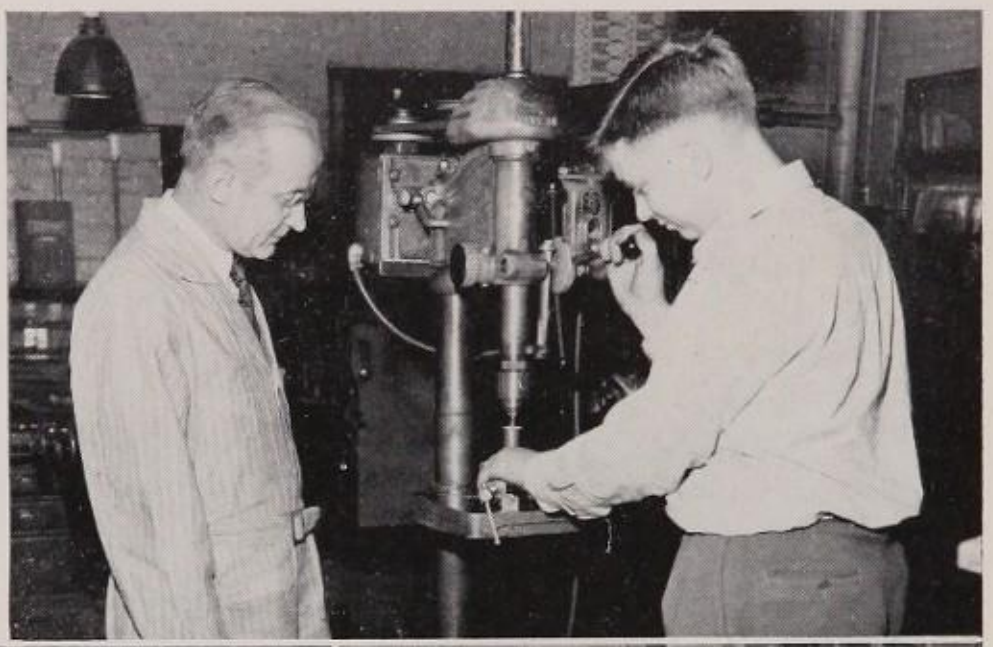
While Ardis Wright swings out the notes of a Spanish song, Mary Lee Height, Connie Hoogerhyde, Norma Cook, and Sylvia Altman blend their voices, proving enthusiastically that language study need not be dull.

Shops Train Hands

Without the clatter created by the busily turning lathes and the hum of machinery Sonny Sunbeam's school day would be incomplete. MR. RAVER teaches Sonny how to operate many machines. Glittering copper bowls and cookie cutters are just a few articles made in MR. MYCKOWIAK'S metal shop.

Printing is popular too with both Susie and Sonny. They and MR. GUY print all-school necessities. They also learn architectural drawing under "POP" REYNDERS. MR. MARCKWARDT trains Sonny in wood work, while MR. CHAMBERLAIN helps him understand how an electric current is conducted.

Genial machine shop teacher MR. CHARLES RAVER (right) is caught in a typical moment as he instructs Carl Sanders how to drill a piece of metal.



CHAMBERLAIN, ROY—Central Michigan College, B.S., electricity; football coach

GUY, GEORGE—Stout College, B.S.; industrial education

MARCKWARDT, PAUL—University of Michigan, Life Certificate for Teaching; adviser for songleader and cheerleaders

MYCKOWIAK, MICHAEL—Western State, B.S.; industrial arts

RAVER, CHARLES—Purdue University, B.S.; industrial arts

REYNDERS, DEE—University of Michigan, B.C.E.; drafting; Hi-Y adviser

Homemaking Is Fun

DENNIS, INA—Michigan State Nursing College, B.S.; home economics

TRAUT, MAUDE—Western State, B.S.; home economics; adviser, Future Homemakers of America

SCHAUER, ROSE—University of Michigan, M.A.; personnel and guidance cafeteria director at Union and Ottawa

WENTINK, WINIFRED—Lake Forest College, B.A.; home economics; adviser, Future Homemakers of America

"Girls, you must remember that when seams are sewed in plaids, the finished product must look like a continuous piece of material," MISS TRAUT (above) advises Louise Weeber, Audrey Tournell, Dorothy Snook, and Lois Kaufman. Besides teaching them how to sew on plaid materials, she instructs the girls in the making of new spring outfits, ballerina skirts, and even the art of making formal dresses for the Prom.

"Stir that oatmeal, Shirl, or it will burn," says Jackie Van Daalen (below) to Shirley Vander Hyde while Margaret Tisron lights the oven. Margie Keller and Norma Towner play a vital part by making sure the essential supplies are at hand. Not only do the cooking classes cultivate skill in cooking, but they also learn how to make a meal attractive, what makes up a well-balanced diet, and how to set the table attractively.

Business Calls Youth

AVERY, ARTHUR—Western State, B.C.S.; booking and typing; chairman of commercial department

BARR, FOREST—University of Michigan, M.A.; typing, school treasurer

KOSANKE, MARTHA—University of Michigan, M.A.; shorthand; coach, girl's golf

MILLER, MARGARET—Rochester Institute of Technology, certificate; retailing; Retailing Club adviser

The click, click of the keys, and the bang of the shifting rod, the scratching of a pencil as it swiftly flies over the paper, and the hum of the adding machine are sounds pleasingly familiar to the girls in MISS WEST'S office practice class. The girls have been preparing themselves for office work by taking typing, business arithmetic, shorthand, and bookkeeping.

Pictured here are, left to right, first row: Marjory Bakker, Pat De Marco, Marilyn Ary; second row: Louise Grasiewicz, Phyllis Van Setters, Dolly Orlowski, Angeline Bruning; third row: Norma Bogardus, Shirley Vander Veen, Beverly Blink, Verna Wanrooy. These girls are learning to run the adding machines, do mimeographing, and take dictation from a recorder.

A merchandising class too has been formed for those who wish to work half days in some retail store.

WEST, HAZEL—University of Michigan, M.A.; office practice; placement bureau

BEST, FLORENCE—Northwestern University, Master of Musical Composition; vocal music; choir and glee clubs

FRYFOGLE, THEODORE—New York University, B.S.; band and orchestra

FARR, DOROTHY JANE—University of Michigan; B.S., sight-saving

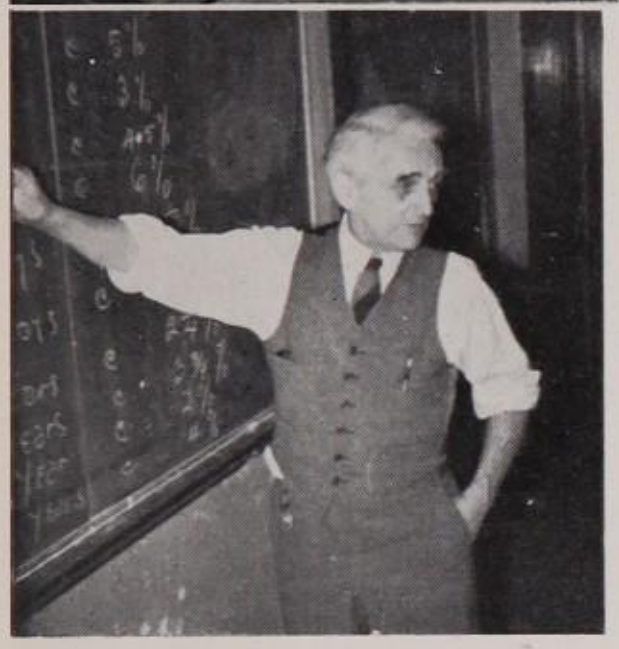
SCHRODER, HARRIETT—University of Southern California, M.S., sight-saving; advisor of senior Y-Teens

WILLIAMS, EULALIA—Columbia University, M.M.; fine arts

Interests Do Vary

Learning is fun for sight-saving pupils. Michigan furnishes classes with phonograph records playing the works of Poe, Shakespeare, Thackeray, and many famous authors. From these records students give fascinating book reports. Listening to "Hamlet" on record are Mary Hilliker, Virginia Smith, and Dona Flasher.

"Old MacDonald Had a Farm. Ei, E., O!" A joyful lilt is added to the junior high school choir's rendition of this old favorite. Articulation and unison is the main ambition of these warbling youngsters, who look forward to the day when they may enter the senior high school choir.



BLACK, MARGARET — Columbia University, M.A.; girls' physical education; adviser for G.U.C.

SUKUP, MILO—University of Michigan, B.S.; boys' physical education; football and golf coach

DE YOUNG, IRENE — Calvin College, A.B.; special work with girls

HAWKINS, PERCY—Shoreditch, London, England; diploma from City and Guilds of London; trade preparatory

CONRAD, PAUL, M/Sgt.—R.O.T.C.

Specials Add Gaity

These laughing faces in MISS BARKER'S art classes indicate that enjoyment comes in creating art as well as looking at it. The work that Kiryanoff, Smith, Skutt, Budde, Schultz, Amante, Nordmark, and Brener are studying is "The Man from Mars" by Harry Budde, top center.

To keep healthy, Susie Sunbeam can be found in almost any of MRS. BLACK'S gym classes participating in the Brace test, designed to measure muscle ability and serve as a basis for selecting teams. Mrs. Black (top right) is instructing Elaine Loveless in the correct knee-bend.

Cooperation Rules the Day

Genial MR. EVEREST has served Union High School as principal for twenty-six years. Due to his interest in the development of student leadership, the school has a high rating as an institution offering many extracurricular activities as well as book work. He is proud of his graduates who go out into the community as successful workers and civic leaders.

Principal Everest is ardent in the promotion of student self-government in study halls, in service staff work, and the Student Council. He sympathetically assists too in working out opportunities for dances, school movies, and talent shows.

As PRINCIPAL EVEREST confers with HELEN OLSON about an additional item for the school bulletin, CHARMAINE CHICKY continues typing the stencil for it, preparatory shortly to running it off the mimeograph machine.

Books, books, and more books. Pupils can find them in the library with the charming and helpful MISS NOBLE advising them. The pupils in the picture above are examining a new array.

EVEREST, CHARLES A.—University of Michigan, M.A.; education and social science; principal, Service Staff and Student Council adviser

NOBLE, ESTHER—Western Reserve University, B.S. in Library Science; librarian; Book Week chairman and Library Club adviser

OLSON, HELEN—School secretary

CHICKY, CHARMAINE—Assistant secretary

Teachers Have Fun Too

Arguing, arguing, arguing go Mr. Albers and Mr. Henry in the boiler room whenever they have the spare time. Here they daily have their "little old" hen party and debate all the world's problems.

Greetings are being exchanged at one of the Friday night dances among the dancers and chaperons. Arnold Komar and his date are delightfully paying their respects to "Pop" Early, while Donna Bell and her date look on. Also in the receiving line are Mr. and Mrs. Freemen, Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner, and Mr. and Mrs. Schoenfeldt.

Music to their ears. Out in the hall serenading the ladies and gentlemen at a teachers' tea is Mr. Fryfogle, fiddling on his fiddle. Listening to him ars Miss Olson, Mrs. Kniesly, Miss McDermott, Mr. Early, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Avery, Mrs. Black and Miss West, hostess.

Watch your waist line there, fellows! Mr. Houston and Mr. Galant are buying goodies at an after-school sale. After a hard day's brain work, these teachers need nourishment.

SENIORS

Dear Atto,
I hope
you have
all the
luck and
success
in the
world!
As ever,
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Senior Sunbeam Wins
That Coveted Diploma

Dear [illegible],
Here's to
many renewed
years + success
+ happiness in
the future.
Devotedly, Hiede
in the Kr. palooy
+ remark! Thanks,
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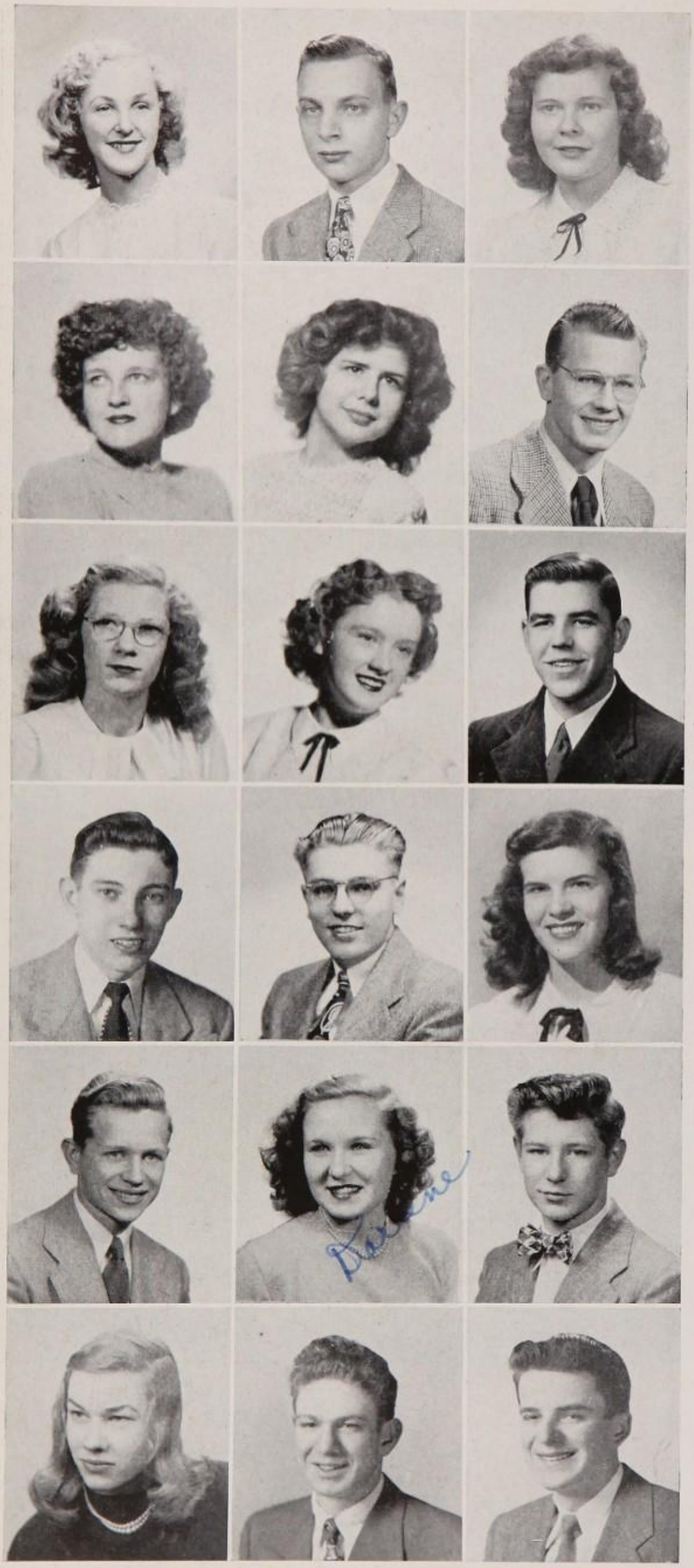


Class of '48

AARDEMA, VIVIAN

ANDERSON, CARROL — Choir 2, 3, 4,; Hi-Y 2, 3; R.O.T.C. 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 4

ANDERSON, ESTHER — Service Staff 3, 4; Home Room Secretary-Treasurer 4

ANDERSON, MAE MARIE — Service Staff 3; Library Club 2; Reflector Staff 4

ARY, MARILYN — G.U.C. 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1; Service Staff 1, 2, 3; Frollies 1

AXDORF, ALBERT

BAKER, MARY LOU — Retailing Club 4

BAKKER, MARJORY — Service Staff 1, 2, 3; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3

BARBER, WILLIAM — Flag Detail 2, 3; Study Hall Chairman 1, 2

BAUER, ROGER — Service Staff 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4

BECKER, JOHN

BELL, DONNA SUE — Service Staff 3, 4; Y-Teens 3, 4

BENZIN, EDWIN — R.O.T.C. 1, 2; Study Hall Chairman 4

BEYER, DARLENE — Senior Counsellor 4; Student Council 2, 4; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Reflector Staff 4

BIALAS, GERALD

BLACKPORT, JOYCE — Cheer Leader 4

BLATTNER, RUDOLPH — Reflector Staff 4

BLOOM, ROBERT — Student Council 4; Service Staff 3, 4

BLUM, DOROTHY — Girls' Glee 1, 2; Choir 3, 4

BOGARDUS, NORMA — Y-Teens 2; Service Staff 3

BOGERT, MAJOR — Bowling 4

BONCZKOWSKI, MARY ANN — Choir 1, 2, 3

BOSTWICK, DAVID — Choir 1, 2, 4

BROWN, KENNETH — Choir 3; Frollies 3, 4; Boys' Quartet 3, 4; Study Hall Chairman 3

BURGER, LORRAINE

BURKHART, PRISCILLA

BURKHOLDER, DAVID

BYLENGA, WILLIAM — Service Staff 3, 4

Big "Four" Installed by Seniors

After the signing of numerous petitions, campaign speeches, and hours of voting and counting, the names of these capable leaders were released as the officers of the Class of '48. This cabinet efficiently led the seniors through their last year of high school filling it with fun and achievement. The management of "The Frollies" was a new major activity of this year's Senior Class.

Conversing in a moment of relaxation are, left to right: Wiersma, capable and efficient president; Virkstis, reliable vice-president; Faulkner, charming secretary; Miller, able money-manager; and their ever helpful, friendly adviser, "Pop" Early.

CHAPEL, DONNA — Publications Staffs 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Service Staff 3, 4

CHAPEL, ROGER — Modelaire Club 4

CHICKY, GLORIA — Senior Play 4; Aurora Staff 4; Student Council 4; Senior Counsellor 4

CHRISOPHER, RUSSELL — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; R.O.T.C. 2, 3, 4; Frollies 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3

CLINE, CORINNE — Secretary and Treasurer Retailing Club 4

CLINGER, WILLIAM — Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4

COBB, LEROY — Football 3

COLE, RONALD — Senior Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Orchestra 4; Senior Play 4

COOK, NORMA — Reflector Staff 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Student Council 4; Class Secretary 2

COVEY, CONSTANCE — Service Staff 3, 4; Girls' Glee; Reflector Staff 4

Work and Worry Turn to Smiles

Success or flop? That was the question in the minds of the play committee as they methodically searched for a rusty plow, struggled with synthetic smoke, and frantically collected garbage for the production of the comedy, "George Washington Slept Here." However, their fears were dispelled when the box office receipts broke records and hearty laughter filled the auditorium.

Lounging on the set back stage are the members of the senior play committee. Left to ight are Speckin, Sachs, Mackey, Beyer, Bauer. Other committee members not in the picture are Troll, Curtice, Van't Hof, Pierson, and Zeeff.

Class of '48

CRALL, PAULINE — Service Staff 4; Y-Teens 3, 4; Student Council 1; Aurora Staff 4

CUDNEY, MILTON — Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Service Staff 4

CUMMINGS, JOSEPHINE — G.U.C. 2; Band 3; Girls' Drill Corps 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4

CURTICE, GERALD — Service Staff 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Student Council 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4

DE BOER, MARION

DECKER, JESSIE — Service Staff 3, 4; Glee Club 1

DEKKER, WAYNE — Basketball 1, 2; Service Staff 3; Bowling 3

DE MARCO, PATRICIA — Service Staff 1, 2, 3, 4; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3; Girls' Glee 1, 2

DEMPSEY, ALEXANDER — Student Council 1, 2; Study Hall Chairman 4; Class President 1

DE VLIEGER, BARBARA — Memorial Committee 4; Bowling 4; Aurora Staff 4; School Service 3, 4

DE WITT, CAROL — Y-Teens 3, 4; Secretary 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Aurora 4; Service Staff 3, 4

DE WITT, DAN

DOUMA, WILLIAM — Basketball 2; Track 3, 4

DOXEY, RAYMOND

DYKGRAAF, JOHN — Football 2, 3; Baseball 4

EBERLE, HILDA — Service Staff 3

EDISON, SHIRLEY — Service Staff 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Student Council 1

ELVE, BETH — Service Staff 4; Y-Teens 4; Reflector Staff 4; Future Homemakers Club 4

Class of '48

FAASEN, EDWARD — Basketball 2; Athletic Council 2; Service Staff 4

FAILING, ROBERT — Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 4

FAULKNER, DOLORES — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Frollies 1, 2, 3, 4; Majorette 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 4

FERINGA, RICHARD — Bowling 4; Tennis 2; Retailing Club 4

FERWERDA, JOYCE — Service Staff 2, 4

FINSTROM, BEVERLY — Senior Play 4; Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Athletic Council 4

FOX, DONNA — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2; Y-Teens 2

FURTNEY, NANCY — Service Staff 4; Orchestra 1; Choir 1, 2, 3

GERULIS, BERNICE

GESKE, GERDA — Service Staff 3

GESSNER, DONALD — Service Staff 3; Golf 2, 3; Track 1, 4

GESSNER, ROBERT — Football 2; R.O.T.C. 1; Golf 2, 3, 4

GIGOWSKI, DONALD — School Service 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Boys' Glee 1, 2, 3, 4

GIRSCHLE, DONNA — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Aurora Staff 4

GLOWACKI, BERNARD

GOLLER, NORA — Y-Teens 1, 2, 3; School Service 3, 4; Senior Orchestra 1, 2

GRACEY, MARY JO

GRASIEWICZ, LOUISE — Service Staff 4

HAAN, EARL — R.O.T.C. 2; Home Room President 3

HAGE, WILLIAM — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3, 4

HAMMOND, CHARLES — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3; Senior Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 3; Senior Executive Board 4

HARKINS, MARION — Y-Teens 4; Bible Club 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Choir 3, 4

HARNISH, WALTER

HASKINS, MARIE — Red Cross 1, 2; Service Staff 3

HEEREN, JOHN — Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Senior Play 4

HENNING, RUSSELL — Service Staff 2

HERDA, HELEN — Bowling 4

HILL, KENNETH — Football 2; Baseball 2, 3; Athletic Council 2

HOWARD, DELORES

HOWLAND, JUNE — Student Council 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; Service Staff 2, 3, 4

INGERSOLL, NAOMI — Library Club 2, 3, 4; G.U.C. 2, 3, 4

JOHNSON, DELOS — Service Staff 3, 4; R.O.T.C. 1, 2

JOHNSON, JACK — Band 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 2, 3

JOHNSTON, DONALD — Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3; Boys' Glee 1, 2, 3

JOUSTRA, DONALD

JOUSTRA, PATRICIA — Frolliette 2, 3, 4; Song Leader 4; G.U.C. 2; Bowling 3, 4

Class of '48

KAATZ, JOHN — Student Council 1, 2

KAMPSCHULTE, SHIELA — Mixed Chorus 2

KEELER, MARJORIE — Glee Club 2; Choir 2, 3, 4

KELLOGG, ARTHUR

KIBBY, VIVIAN

KLAP, DONALD — Football 1; R.O.T.C. 1

KNIFF, STEWART — Tennis 2; Football 2; Varsity 3, 4; School Service 3

KOOLMAN, BEVERLY — Song Leader 3, 4; Frolliette 3, 4; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3, 4; Reflector 4

KOSTEN, KENNETH — Senior Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Orchestra 3, 4

KOSTEN, WILLIAM — Service Staff 3; Student Council 3, 4; Co-Chairman Commencement Exercises 4; Track 3, 4

KOWALSKI, RUTH — Service Staff 3, 4; Homeroom Secretary 3, 4; Study Hall Chairman 4

KRETOWICZ, RAYMOND — Reflector Staff 4

KRITSCHGAU, MARIE — Latin Club 2, 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Aurora Staff 4

KROON, ROBERT — Service Staff 2, 3; Bowling 3, 4; Reflector Staff 4

KUBIAK, DEL — Movie Club 2, 3, 4; Bowling 4

KUCZYNSKI, JEAN — G.U.C. 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Service Staff 4; Retail Club 4

KUNST, MARILYN — Glee Club 1; Band 4

LAMMERS, SIDNEY — Football 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; President 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; President 4

LAPINSKI, JUNE — Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; President 2, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 4

LE BARON, DOLORES — After School Activities 1, 2; G.U.C. 1; Girls' Drill Corps 1

LEVANDUSKI, STANLEY — Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4

LITTELL, JOAN — Service Staff 3, 4; Study Hall Checker 4; Homeroom Vice President 4

LOOSENORT, WILLIAM — Class President 2; Hi-Y 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Athletic Council 1, 2, 3

LUDWICK, RALPH — Hi-Y 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4

MAC DONALD, MARY ELLEN — Library 3, 4

MACK, IRWIN

MACKEY, DONNA — Aurora 4; Editor 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Student Council 2

MAC LENNAN, JAMES

"Big Wheels" Pilot Showboat

Newfledged ideas lurking around the corners of these smiles are the compensation of countless days of sagging brains and drooping eye lids. Their few dreams were impaired by the memory of slapping grease paint; pounding piano keys; sketching dancing girls; and wearing out muscles, seeking props. However, deflated spirits were inflated by the happy results.

Enthusiastically looking over a book cover designed by Jack Tompkins, publicity chairman, is Lorraine Wozniak, make-up chairman. Equally enthusiastic are Bell and Smith, props; De Witt, music; Heeren and Wilder, co-chairmen of the entire production.

MAHER, JACK

MAYO, BARBARA — Reflector Staff 4

MEAD, MARY — Girls' Glee 1; Bowling 3, 4

MEDUKAS, ROBERT

MIERAS, ADRIANNA — Glee Club 1; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Band 3; Red Cross 1, 2, 3

MILLER, BARBARA — Athletic Council 3; Service Staff 3, 4

MILLER, GERARD — Basketball 3, 4; Student Council 4; Class Treasurer 4; Varsity Club 3, 4

MILLER, KEITH — Hi-Y 4; Choir 3, 4; Varsity Club 4; Football 3, 4

MILLHOUPT, FRANCES — Bowling 4

MOONEY, EVA

Silver Screen Profits Seniors

A bright new undertaking of the Class of '48 was the noon-hour movies. Selecting hilarious comedies and fascinating short subjects to keep Susie and Sonny Sunbeam interested was the task of this hard-working committee. The activity not only netted a neat profit for the senior class but also offered relaxation and amusement to those who sought it.

While Projector Operators Peterson and Kubiak explain the mystery of their machine, Chairman Visser, Ticket-takers Steimle and Miller, and Cash Collector Ingersoll look on. Missing is Orlowski, also a cash collector.

Class of '48

MORDAS, JOHN

MORRIS, ROSEMARY — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Reflector Staff 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Aurora Staff 4

MYERS, HELEN — Service Staff 3; Retailing Club 4; Drill Corps 3

MYERS, ROBERT — Tennis 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Bowling 3, 4; Treasurer 4

NELSON, ROBERT

NEPER, THOMAS — Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Bowling 3, 4; Captain 3

NOORTHOEK, ROGER — Debate 4; Reflector 4; Student Council 4; Tennis 3

NYSSEN, WILBURT

OLSON, MARION — Library Club 2; G.U.C. 3

OLZANECKY, PAUL

ORLOWSKI, DOLORINE — Library Club 2, 3, 4; Secretary 3; President 4; G.U.C. 2, 3, 4

PACZKOWSKI, MARTHA — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Retailing Club 4; Reflector Staff 4

PECK, FRANK — Baseball 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2

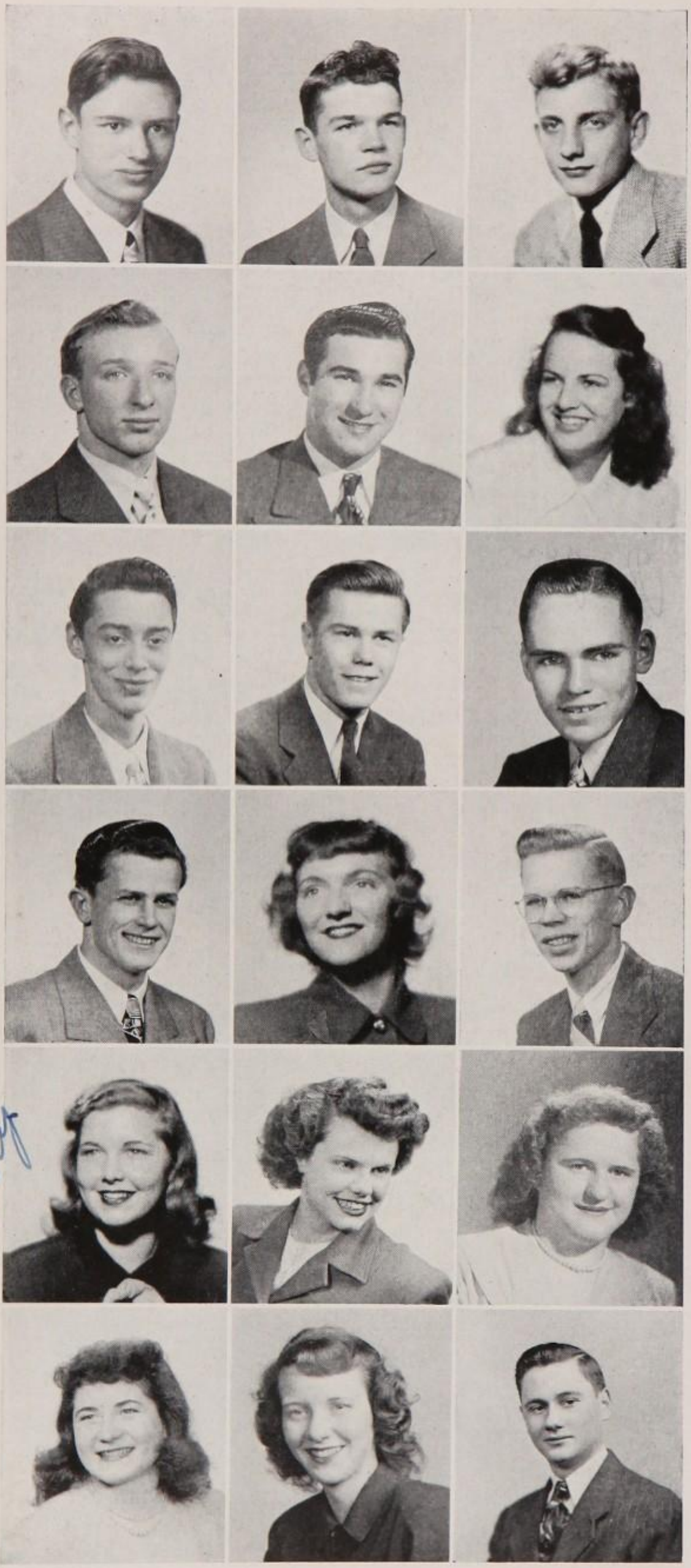
PELTOLA, EDWARD — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3; Art 1, 2

PETERSON, RICHARD — Movie Committee 4

PIERCE, DELORES — After School Activities 1, 2; G.U.C. 3, 4; Drill Corps 3; Red Cross 4

PIERSON, BETTY LOU — Senior Glee 1, 2

PIERSON, CEDRIC — Student Council 1, 2, 3; Senior Play 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4



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PINDAR, RICHARD — Football 1, 2; Track 2, 3, 4; Study Hall Chairman 4

POTTERACH, JACK — Football 1, 2, 3; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4

POST, MARVIN — Service Staff 4

PRATT, KENNETH — Study Hall Operator 2; Athletic Manager 3, 4

PULASKI, STANLEY — Football 1, 2, 3; Baseball 3

RATAJCZAK, MARY ANN — G.U.C. 2, 3; Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 4

REMINGTON, JAMES — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3, 4; Print Shop 1, 2, 3, 4

RICKSON, CHARLES — Track 3, 4

RITTENHOUSE, HAROLD — Choir 4

RODE, JAMES — Retailing 4

ROETMAN, AUDREY — Bowling 3; Service Staff 4

ROMANSKI, LON

ROSE, GERALDINE — Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Aurora Staff 4; Bowling 3, 4

ROSEL, MARY — Service Staff 4; Glee 1, 2, 3

ROSLONIEC, CEIL

ROZEMA, MARY ANN — Red Cross 1, 2, 3

RUITER, JOAN — Service Staff 3, 4; Study Hall Chairman 3; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4

RUS, DONALD

RUS, RONALD — Service Staff 4; Commencement Committee 4

SACHS, HELEN — Service Staff 3, 4; Library Club 2; Y-Teens 2; Reflector 4

SAMRICK, SIDNEY — Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 2; Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Band 1, 2

SANDERS, CARL — Athletic Manager 1; R.O.T.C. 2

SCHOENFELDT, ARLIS — Senior Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Bowling 3, 4; President 4

SCHUELKE, DALBERT — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3, 4

SHIMMELL, IRIS

SILVER, SANFORD — Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Band 3, 4; R.O.T.C. 3

SIMONSEN, DONALD — Commencement Committee 4; Study Hall Chairman 4

SKIPITIS, SOPHIE — Choir 3, 4

SLOMSKI, HENRY — Band 2; Baseball 1, Bowling 4

SMITH, DONNA — Aurora Art Editor 4; Play Committee 4; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4

SMITH, GLENN — Track 2, 3, 4

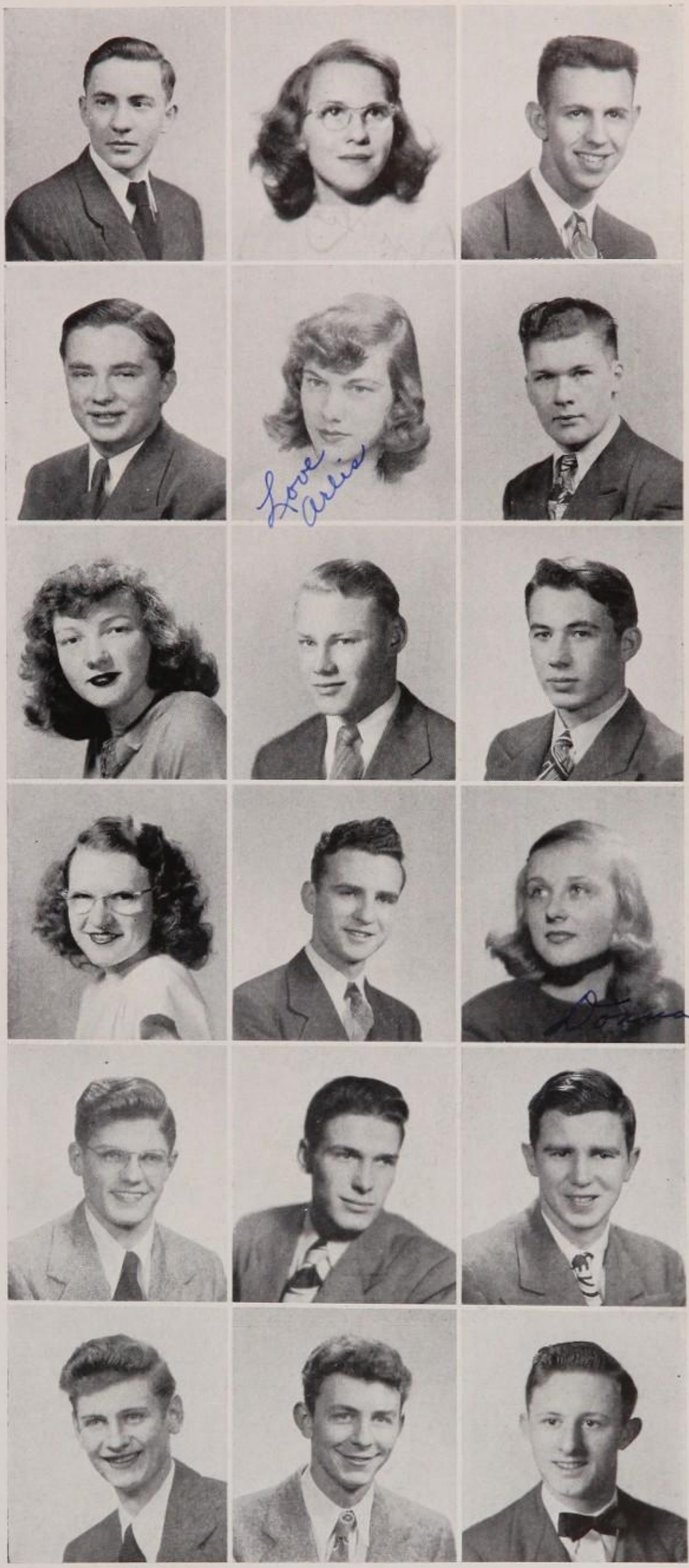
SMITH, GORDON — Track 2

SMITH, STANLEY — Service Staff 4

SNOOK, ROBERT

SOET, JOHN

SOMMER, OTTO — Senior Play 4; Reflector 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4



Class of '48

SPARKS, CHARLES — Football 2; R.O.T.C. 2

SPECKIN, NATALIE — Senior Counsellor 4; Latin Club; President 4; Aurora 4; Service Staff 3, 4

SPERLIK, RICHARD — Baseball 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Basketball 1; Bowling; Treasurer 3

SPINSKI, DOLORES

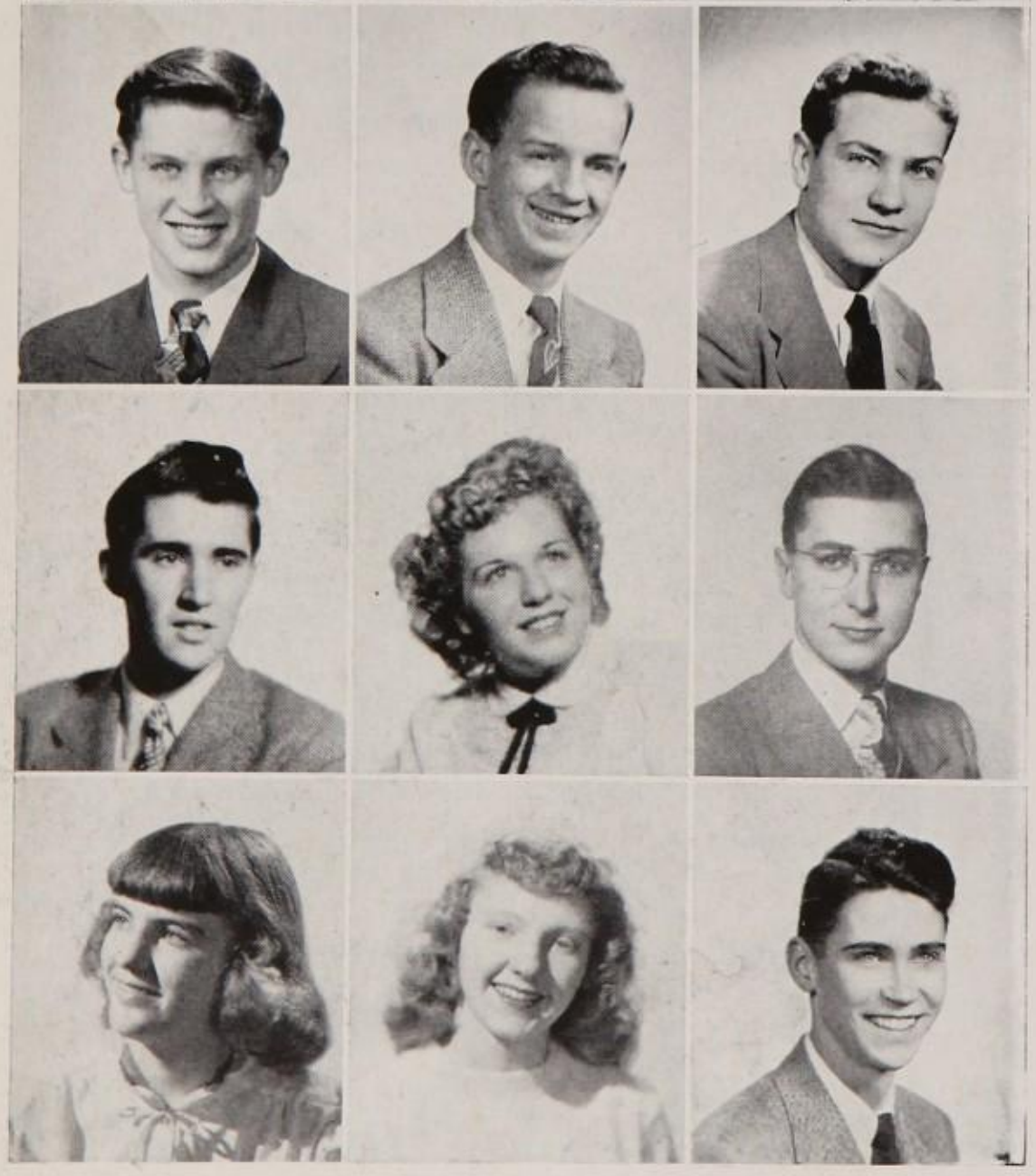
STANKIEWICZ, BARBARA — Service Staff 3, 4; Senior Play 4

STEIMLE, PAUL — Service Staff 3, 4; Latin Club 4; Band 3; Choir 3, 4

STEVENS, LEONARD

STROBRIDGE, SHIRLEY — G.U.C. 2, 3; Service Staff 3; Bowling 3, 4; Y-Teens 4

STYBURSKI, HELEN



SULLIVAN, DAN — Commencement Committee 4; Service Staff 4

SZCZERBINSKI, ROBERT

TEBEAU, JERALD — Latin Club 2, 4; Varsity Club 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4

THOMAS, DONALD

TIMMERMAN, JEAN — Student Council 1, 2, 3; Service Staff 2, 3, 4

TOMPKINS, JACK — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3; Service Staff 3, 4; Aurora 4; Reflector 4; Red Cross 4

TOWNER, BETTY — Service Staff 2, 3

TRENDT, ARDELLA — Reflector 4

TROLL, WILLIAM — Senior Counsellor 4; Senior Play Committee 4

TURUTA, MARIAN

UNGER, DONALD — Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Frollies 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3 4

VALK, ROBERT

VALKEMA, CORDELIA — Service Staff 2, 3

VAN ALLSBURG, DONALD — Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3

VAN DAALEN, DONNA — Song Leader 4; Service Staff 1, 2, 3, 4; G.U.C. 1 ,2, 3, 4; Frolliette 4

VANDE KOPPLE, KENNETH — Study Hall Chairman 4

VANDER HOFF, ELAYNE — Service Staff 3, 4; Y-Teens 3

VANDER HYDE, SHIRLEY — Girls' Glee 2; Chorus 3, 4; Bowling 4; G.U.C. 2

VANDER VEEN, SHIRLEY — Service Staff 3; Spanish Club 2; Y-Teens 2

Dance Enlivens Senior Activities

"Let's Be Sweethearts!" was the theme of the "Sweetheart Swirl," the first dance presented this year by the senior class. Pictured here are the energetic members of the committee as they plan the decorations of hearts and cupids, the fitting St. Valentine's motif. The committee's efforts were well rewarded, as the arch and other decorations were enjoyed by all.

With beaming faces and sparkling eyes, the members of the senior dance committee enthusiastically discuss plans for the "Sweetheart Swirl". These ardent planners are, left to right: Chuck Hammond, band; Sally Wiersma, general chairman; Don Van Allsburg, decorations; June Howland, refreshments; and Dick Webber, publicity.

Class of '48

VANDER WERF, JOAN — Service Staff 3, 4; Y-Teens 4; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3, 4

VAN DYKE, CLARENCE

VAN ESS, LENORE — G.U.C. 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens 3, 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Reflector Staff 4

VAN HOF, BARBARA — Service Staff 4; Y-Teens 4

VAN MALDEGEN, RUTH — Y-Teens 3; Service Staff 3

VAN MALSEN, LORETTA — School Service 2, 3; Student Council 2, 4; Red Cross 1; F.H.A. 4

VAN OTTEREN, GAY — Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 4; Service Staff 3, 4; Senior Counsellor 3, 4

VAN PORTFLEET, ALICE — Song Leader 3, 4; Frolliette 4; G.U.C. 1, 2; Service Staff 1, 2

VAN SETTERS, PHYLLIS — Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice resident 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3, 4

VAN'T HOF, HAROLD — Service Staff 2, 3; Senior Play 4; Manager 4; Debate 3, 4

VEREECKEN, DELORAS — Y-Teens 4

VERSCHOOR, CURTIS — Debate 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Reflector 4; Aurora 4; Senior Play 4

VIRKSTIS, ROBERT — Class Vice President 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4

VISSER, GEORGE — Service Staff 3, 4; Student Council 1, 4; Noon Hour Movie Chairman 4

WARNER, WILLIAM — Service Staff 3; Movie Club 3

WEBBER, RICHARD — Service Staff 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; President 3; Senior Counsellor 4; Student Council 3, 4

WEBER, RONALD

WEEBER, LOUISE — Service Staff 2, 3; Senior Play 4; Latin Club 1; Bible Club 4

WELLS, WALTER

WERKEMA, WILLIAM

WERRA, RUSSELL — Student Council 2, 4; Football 3; Service Staff 4

WESTMAAS, ROGER

WIERSMA, SALLY — Managing Editor, Reflector 4; Class Secretary 3; Senior Counsellor 4

WIERSMA, WILLIAM — Service Staff 3, 4; Class President 3, 4; Student Council 4

WIERZBICKI, DOROTHY

WIETSMA, JOYCE — Service Staff 2, 3; Y-Teens 4; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3, 4; Bowling Team 4

WIETSMA, NINA — Bowling 4

WILDER, MARILOU — Majorette 2, 3, 4; Bowling 3; Frollies 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play 4

WILDER, MARJORY — Song Leader 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Frolliette 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4

WILLIAMS, LOUISE — Service Staff 4; Library Club 4; Red Cross 1, 2, 3, 4

WIMMER, NITA — Class Treasurer 2; Y-Teens 3, 4; Aurora 4

WINKLER, JAMES

WITZEL, ROBERT

WONDOLOWSKI, STANLEY

WOOD, JANE — Service Staff 4; Band 1, 2; Reflector 4; Aurora 4

WOZNIAK, LORRAINE — Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; President 2, 4; Senior Counsellor 4; Student Council 1, 2, 4; Aurora 4

WRIGHT, LOIS — Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4; G.U.C. 3; Service Staff 2, 3

YOUNG, SHIRLEY — Service Staff 4

YOWAISH, JOHN — Student Council 2, 4; Service Staff 4; President of Bar and Chevron Club 4

ZAGUMNY, JOHN — Track 3, 4; Cross-country 4; Service Staff 3, 4

ZEEFF, MARILYN — Song Leader 3, 4; Y-Teens 3, 4; Service Staff 1, 2, 3, 4; G.U.C. 1, 2, 3

ZEEFF ROGER — Football 2; R.O.T.C. 2, 3, 4

ZEITTER, CHARLES — Basketball 2, 3; Baseball 3, 4; Reflector 4

ZOET, BERNARD — Student Council 3, 4; President 4; Service Staff 2, 3, 4; Frollies 1, 2, 3 4

ZOKOE, FRED — School Service 4

ZOPPA, DOLORES — Service Staff 3, 4

Now Is the Hour To Say Good-by

Searching frantically through decrepit volumes of quotations for the class motto; spending many a sleepless night worrying over an idea for a memorial; patiently composing and recomposing a class song; and methodically executing all the intricate details of graduation are the respective tasks of the Motto, Memorial, Song, and Graduation Committee.

Pausing for a moment after listening to the senior song are the graduation committee chairmen. Seated at the piano are Beyer, DeWitt, and Lapinski. Smiling in appreciation are, left to right, Zoet, Morris, Wiersma, and Kritchgau.

These Seniors Proved Camera-Shy

ADAMS, RICHARD

BEAUDOIN, LAWRENCE

BURGO, NORBERT

DELNEY, RICHARD

Dick Delney

DYKSTRA, ROBERT

GALUS, JOAN

HELDER, CHARLES — Senior Band 1, 2, 3, 4

JOHNSON, CARL — Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4

MEYERS, VINCENT

MILES, ROBERT

MINDEL, CHARLES — Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1

MUTSAERS, RAYMOND

OGRODZINSKI, ARTHUR

OLZANECKY, STEPHEN

ORLOWSKI, RONALD

OROSZ, JOSEPH

PERSCHBACHER, EDWARD

RAMSEY, GEORGE — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 4

SCHUMACHER, KENNETH

SKESTONE, JOSEPH

SMITH, VIRGINIA — Y-Teens 2, 4; Spanish Club 2, 4; Treasurer 4; Student Council 4; Red Cross 2

VEREECKEN, FRANK — Basketball 3

VROSH, WILLIAM

WARNER, EUGENE — R.O.T.C. 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3; Varsity Club 3, 4; Movie Club 3

WATSON, WILLARD — Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Service Staff 4

WILKINSON, JOSEPH

Do Dignified Seniors Measure Up?

It was a tough stretch and bend, but they made it!

Senior measure-takers sometimes needed a step ladder and at other times they practically had to get on their knees (to measure for those beloved caps and gowns). But all their stretching and bending brought a graduation night with beautiful uniformity of costume and shining faces.

Making that high stretch to get the measurements of Dan Sullivan is Ruth Kowalski. Joan Littell smiles at the funny sight as she records Ruth's findings while bewildered Dan tries to assume an air of unaccustomed dignity.

We'll Always Remember

We'll always remember those first fervent weeks of school . . . the intoxication of the Traverse City football excursion and the way the refreshment car slyly contrived to upset our glasses of pop . . . our two sets of twins, Bill and Sally Wiersma and Donald and Ronald Rus . . . the day Marilyn Ary and Pat De Marco wore green silk stockings . . . the special Junior-Senior section for that snowy Turkey day football game . . . those horned rimmed glasses so proudly exhibited by Joyce Ferwerda, Ed Fassen and Arlis Schoenfeldt . . . when Carl Johnson won first prize on the Search for a Star program . . . how gallantly Don Simonsen fought for men's rights in economics class . . . the day Milton Cudney appeared with only a faint fuzz adorning his cranium. . . .

David Burkholder's innumerable birthdays . . . the humming activity during Christmas week . . . Jane Wood frantically trying to remove the red grease paint which she wore while portraying Santa Claus for the Reflector Party . . . those fleecy angora sweaters sported so proudly by Marjory Wilder, Joyce Wietsma, Beverly Koolman, Lenore Van Ess and Joan Vander Werf . . . that hectic week of mid-term exams . . . Beverly Finstrom's going to Lansing for the all-state orchestra . . . Mae Anderson's wonderful editorials in the Reflector . . . those searching blue eyes of Jessie Dekker and Dick Peterson . . . Roger Bauer, Dick Webber, Russell Christopher, and Ken Brown who comprised our very own Barber Shop Quartet . . .

Richard Pindar, Bill Clinger, Bill Loosenort, Stan Levenduski, Cid Pierson, and Dutch Van Allsburg as "chorines" . . . when Norma Bogardus cut her naturally wavy locks . . . our senior class play, "George Washington Slept Here," with Marilou Wilder as Annabell, Harold Van't Hof as the gullible Newton, John Heeren as the sponging Uncle Stanley, Donna Chapel portraying bratty Raymond, and Barbara Stankiewicz as the incomparable Katie . . . that flaming red hair belonging to Major Bogart, Nita Wimmer, Ken Hill, Ken Kosten, and Joe Wilkinson . . . Russell Henning's bustling manner . . . the dramatic air surrounding Joyce Blackport . . . that strikingly friendly smile so typical of Don Gigowski . . . how the fingers of Gerda Gesde, Lois Wright, Nancy Furtney, and Marjorie Bakker fly over the keyboard of a typewriter . . .

Those senior meetings that kept us out of first-hour classes

Queen Marilyn Zeeff (center) and Her Court

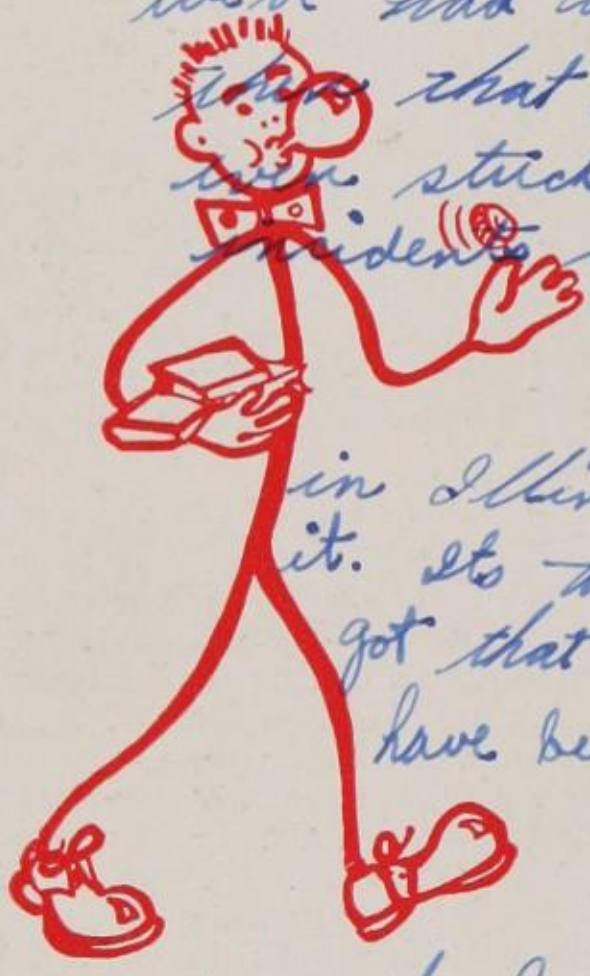
how proud we were when lovely Marilyn Zeeff was crowned Snow Queen of Grand Rapids for 1948 . . . Russell Werra's winning the figure skating championship . . . Lady Killer Keith Miller . . . the genuine friendliness of Shirley Strobridge, Loretta Van Malsen and Phyllis Van Setters . . . the efficiency of Ruth Kowalski and Dolly Orlowski . . . how delighted we were when charming June Lapinski won the D. A. R. . . . those nicknames belonging to Tom "Pinky" Neper, Marvin "Sliver" Post, Donna "Shorty" Girschle, Don "Dowie" Joustra, John "Ziggy" Zagumny, and Louise "Weezy" Weeber . . . all the fun we had at the Sweetheart Swirl. . . .

Chuck Mindel's neat new Studebaker . . . Barbara Mayo's big brown eyes . . . Ralph Ludwick's kinky hair and that blond, blond hair belonging to Sheila Kampschulte and Mary Lou Baker . . . Jerry Miller's calm manner . . . Martha Paczkowski's apricot colored shoes . . . the mischievous smiles belonging to Pauline Crall and Frank Peck . . . Jack Potterack's broad shoulders . . . those lovely sweaters knitted by Ada Mieras . . . the way George Visser praised "that country life" . . . Willie Watson and Bob Virkstis, our tallest boys — Louise Grasiewicz, Betty Lou Pierson, Helen Sachs, our shortest girls . . . the delightful dimples of June Howland, Barbara De Vlieger, Mary Rosel, and Donna Van Daalen . . . Darlene Beyer's sweet voice . . . the taffetta bow Donna Bell wore in her hair . . . the carefree walk of Dolores Faulkner . . . the stately manner of Donna Smith . . . Earl Haan, Bill Werkema, and Ken Schumacher as our shortest boys . . . those chatter boxes Naomi Ingersoll and Dorothy Blum . . . that brush cut belonging to Sandy Silver . . . what pals Richard Adams and Ray Doxey were . . . those bashful boys, Rudy Blattner and Richard Feringa . . . smiling Danny Sullivan's clubby saddle shoes . . . that straight blond hair of Ruthey Van Maldegen . . . Stanley Wondolowski's constant lateness . . . the explosion caused by Carl Johnson and Bill Warner in chemistry class. . . .

Our class motto "We build the ladder by which we climb." . . .

the Honor Banquet with its delicious dinner and wonderful speaker . . . Our official Skip Day and the Detroit Excursion . . . Class Night and all the fun we had . . . and finally Commencement and the sweet, sad realization that this would be the last time we, as a Class, would leave the auditorium together.

UNDERCLASSMEN



Dear Otto,

I didn't think I could find a place to write, but I did. So I would like to thanks you for the many good times we've had together. I know there times since that I've acted indifferent and maybe even stuck up. But plase overlook those incidents as we all have our off moments.

I hope you take up your music in Illinois for I think you can go far in it. Its to bad that Helen, you and I never got that trio started over at church. It might have been pretty good.

Well Otto you know I wish you the best that comes in the ministry for you very richly deserve it. I'll see you at Sunbeam. So I'll say so long for now to one of the finest fellows I've met, and one to long be remembered.

As Ever
Connie Weaver
"49"

Junior Sunbeam Takes Work and Play in Stride

First row: Alkema, Anscer, Antvelink, Ashby, Barker, Baur, Belke, Bender, Bennett, Bergers.

Second row: Bernhaltz, Berry, Billings, Blink, Blok, Bloom, Bolter, Boon, Boonstra, Braun.

Third row: Bronner, Brookens, Broiswer, Bruining, Burkhart, Buzalski, Caminer, Carolkiewicz, Chase, Clark.

Fourth row: Collins, Cooke, Cooley, Cowles, Conklin, Cummings, Czurak, Danielson, Deako, DeBaar.

Fifth row: DeKorne, Denisty, Denomie, Dlugolenski, DeVos, DeYoung, Dickenson, Dochod, Dolsey, Donley.

Sixth row: Doornbos, Doty, Douma, Dressler, Dubridge, Duiven, Eldred, Ellingson, Felker, Ficela.

"Aren't They Super!"

"To each his own!" That's what each junior thought as he picked out his class ring last fall. Now that the juniors have their rings, you can find many a typical Susie and Sonny Sunbeam exchanging admiring compliments. Viewing Jackie Flora's ring with admiration, from left to right, are: Alex Janes; Kenneth Youngs, ring committee chairman; Jackie; Hyla Duiven; Fred Doornbos; Nancy Haadsma; and Arlene Berry.

Li'l Spokes Arrive

It might have been a little difficult for the juniors to come through with flying colors, in all they undertook, if it had not been for their understanding adviser, Mr. Freeman, to help them with their problems. The class officers, who strove to lead the juniors, were left to right: Ed Timmerman, treasurer; Tom Simpson, president; Bill Slanger, vice-president; and June Paauwe, secretary.

First row: Flora, Furtney, Galer, Gigowski, Gill, Gillette, Gingrich, Gleason, Gold, Goller.

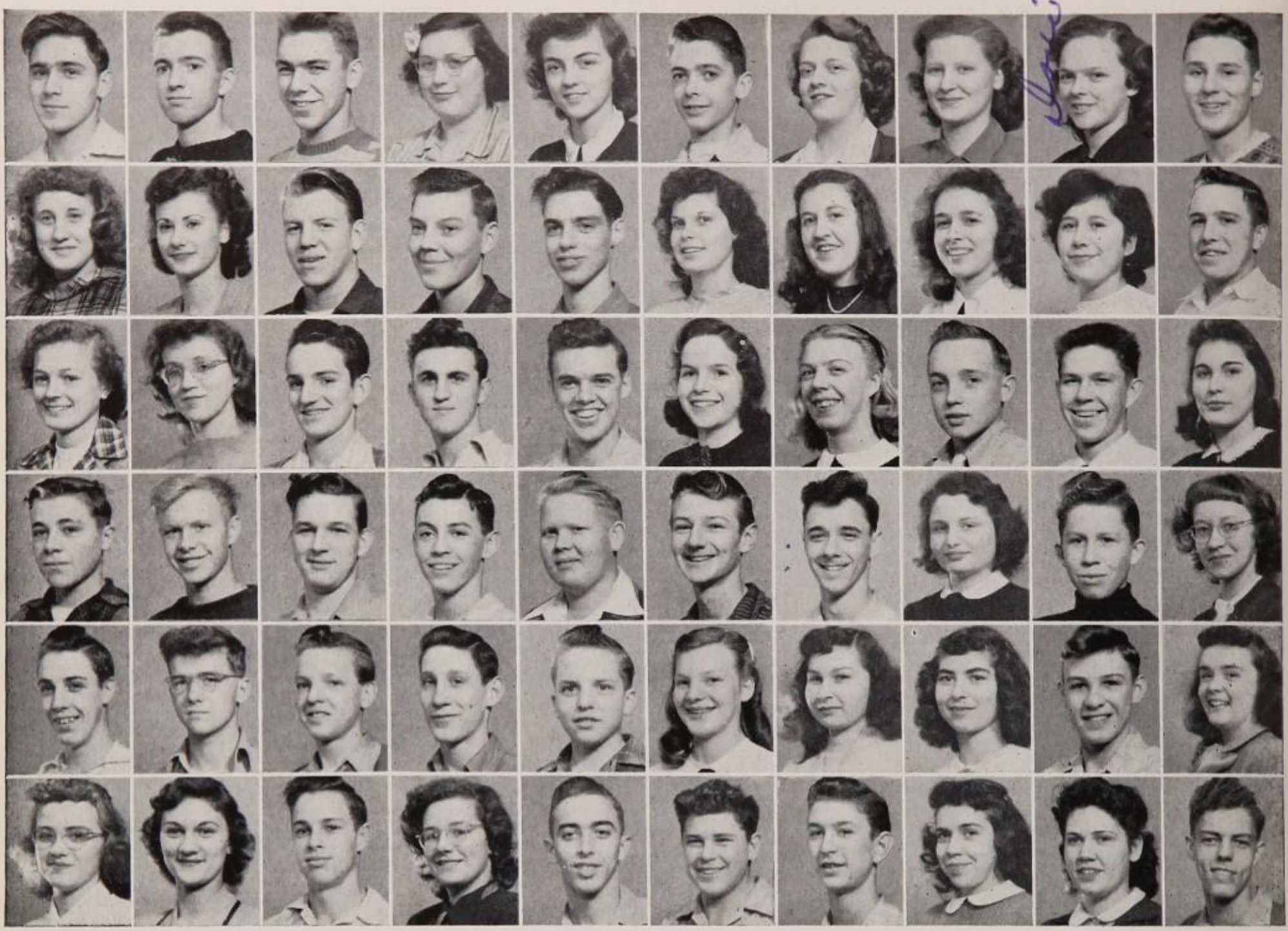
Second row: Gonom, Griep, Haadsma, Hands, Hankenson, Harnish, Heiman, Hendricks, Henkel, Hessel.

Third row: Heyboer, Hippenstiel, Hoffman, Holst, B. Hughes, Bob Hughes, Idema, Janes, Jeltman, Jewell.

Fourth row: C. Johnson, R. Johnson, P. Johnson, S. Johnson, Joustra, Kalawart, Kasnowicz, Karas, Klocko, Kiryanoff.

Fifth row: Keonas, Koopmans, Koprawski, Kovats, Kuklowski, Kurbelski, Kurkjian, Kutchin, Lang, Lawerence.

Sixth row: Lindeman, LaPard, Lewes, Leyen, Major, Maldag, Malinowski, Manne, Marshall, Maurice.



First row: Maxson, McDivitt, McKelvey, Mead, Medd, Meinert, A. Merritt, E. Merritt, Moore, Morlock.

Second row: Mucziniski, Mueller, Mull, Nagtzaan, Noordyk, Nyberg, Overbeek, Paauwe, Palezki, Paulson.

Third row: Peterson, Phillips, Porter, Polyraj, Proctor, Purchase, Rienks, Ring, Rinkus, Riordan.

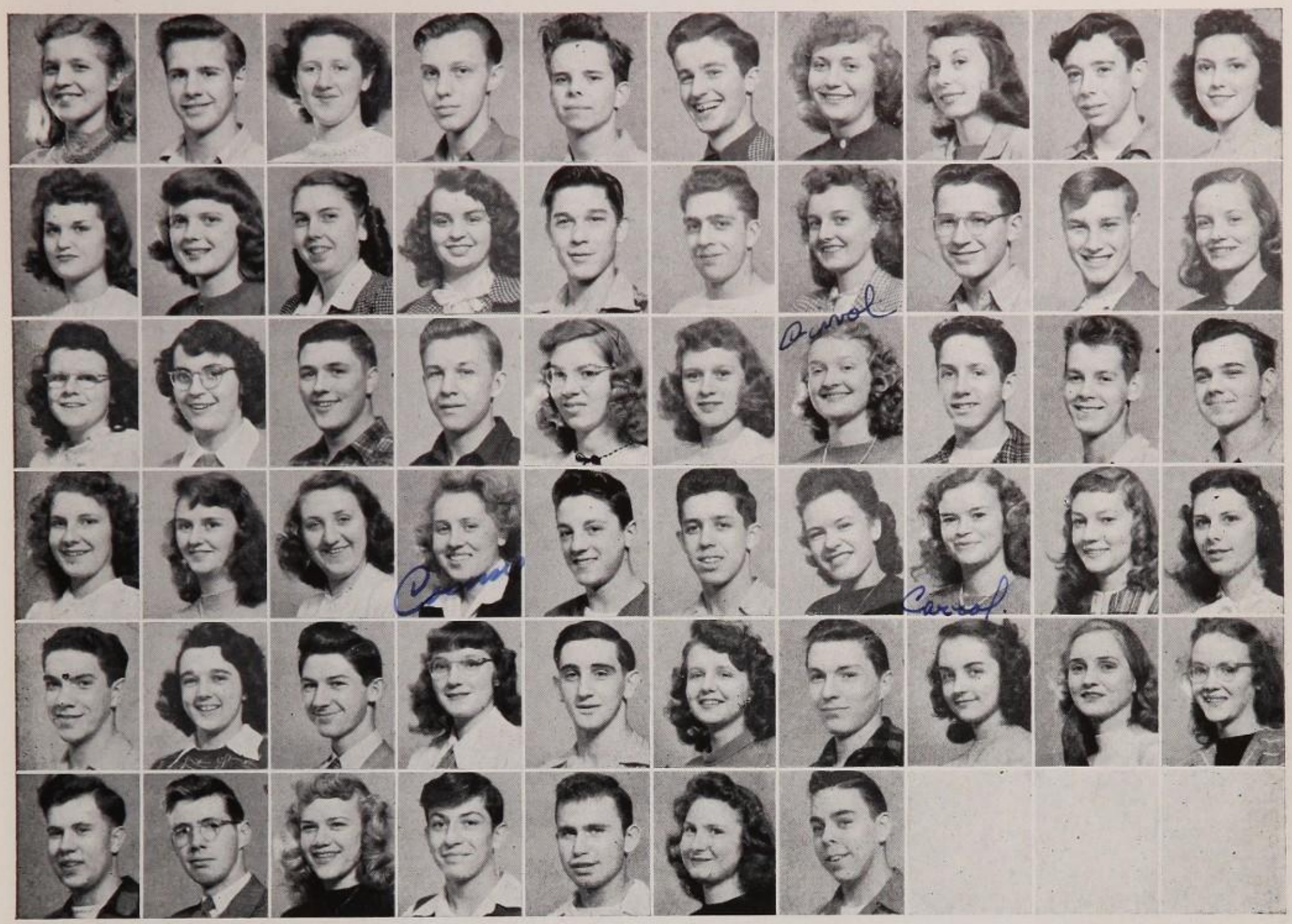
Fourth row: Ritz, Rizge, Rodenhouse, Roh, Raisanen, Roth, Rothleg, Rubin, Rypma, Sagryn.

Fifth row: Salbbekoorn, Sandusky, J. Schaafsma, H. Schaafsma, Schipper, Schols, Schudera, Schuling, Schulz, Seven.

Sixth row: Shattuch, Shippy, Simpson, Skutt, Slanger, Slanker, B. Smith, F. Smith, N. Smith, T. Smith.

Then Comes the Dance

Whether it be a waltz or two-step doesn't seem to make any difference after a strenuous basketball game, just so that it is some kind of dance at which to relax with soft dreamy music. After four of the six basketball games here. the junior class sponsored the after-game dance. Bob Bloom Gloria Chicky, Ralph Ludwick, Sally Wiersma and Bob Hubbell, and school guest are all gliding merrily along with nary a care.



First row: Spicer, Stehouwer, Stewart, Story, Strain, Strang, Strobyko, Swanson, Swenson, Szczepanski.

Second row: Tisron, Tolsma, Tuinstra, Unger, Ungrey, Vander Laan, Van Der Werff, Van Dusen, Van Gilst, Van Malsen,

Third row: Van Muellen, Van Oss, Van Westenburg, Vereecken, Verhaar, Ver Howe, Veldman, Ver Sluis, Virkstis, Waldmiller.

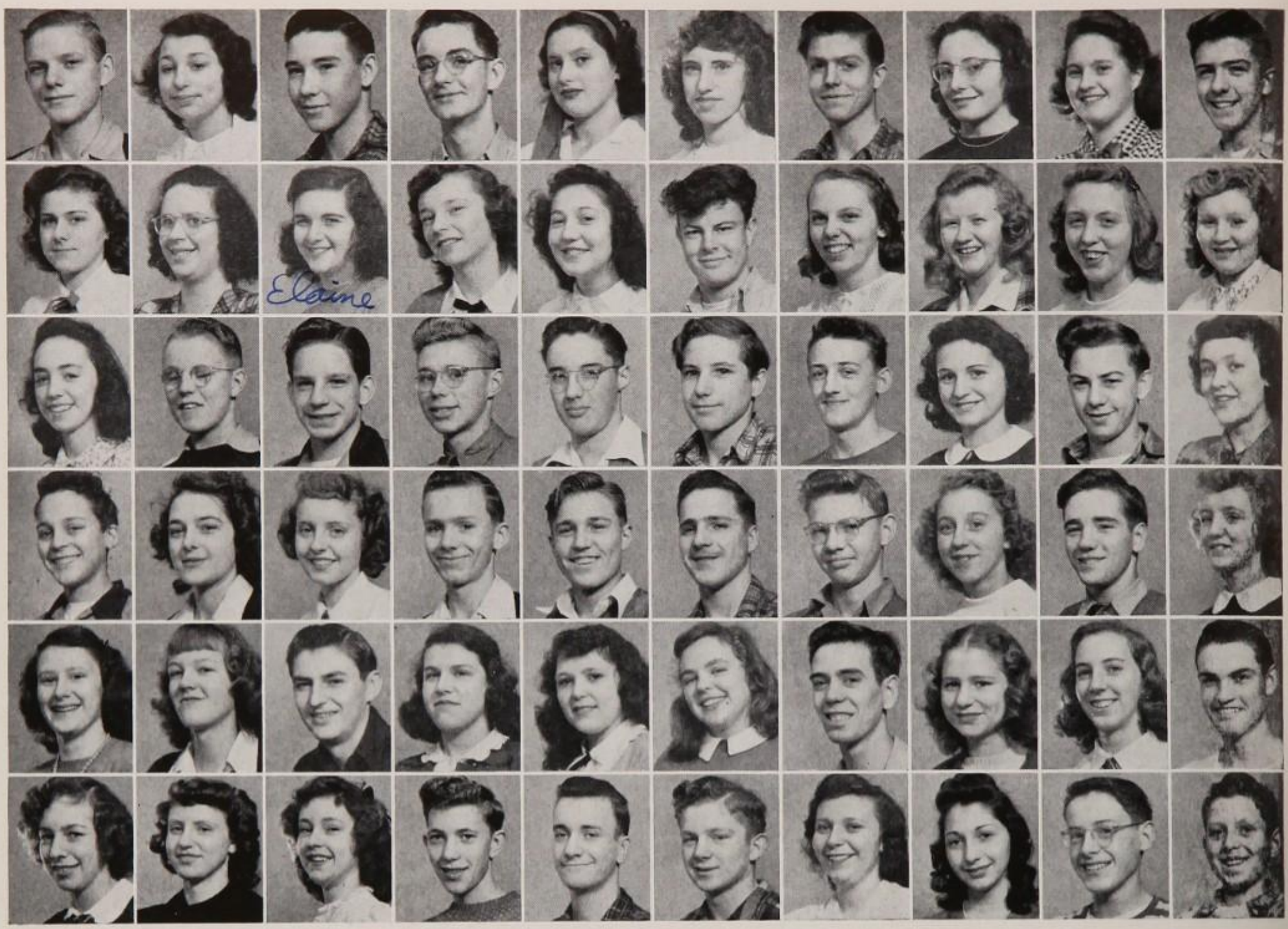
Fourth row: Waller, Wanrooy, Wasilewski, Wedner, Wecker, Wegenka, Werre, Whitten, Wieck, Wierenga.

Fifth row: Wiest, Wilkins, Williamson, Wert, Weskolski, Wolford, Wolters, Woltjer, E. Wright, A. Wright.

Sixth row: Youngs, Zeeff, Zeinstra, Zeitter, Zemites, Zenk, Zuelke. Zuelke.

Prom Time Draws Near

Making final plans for the Junior-Senior Prom are seated left to right: Earl Van Dusen, tickets; June Paauwe, invitations and chaperons; Dale Vander Laan, band; Mr. Freeman, adviser; Donna Joustra, general chairman; Esther Gigowski, and Margaret Van Malsen, decorations. Standing, left to right are: Adrian Stehouwer, tickets; Bill Slanger clean-up; Tom Simpson, president; Dena Koenes, and Phyllis Van Oss, publicity; and Ed Timmerman. clean-up.



First row: Alkema, Altman, Anderson, Andree, Antozak, Ardrey, Balke, Barnes, Bebow, Bekampis.

Second row: Bendokaitis, Benson, Berkovitch, Beukema, Black, Blattner, Bowen, Braciak, Brackett, Bradfield.

Third row: D. Brown, R. Brown, Bush, Cederquist, Champion, Chernoby, Chicky, Cianti, Cobb, Collins.

Fourth row: G. Cook, R. Cook, Corkendall, Cross, Curb, Cyranoski, Czarnopys, Danielson, R. Dargie, S. Dargie.

Fifth row: Dauksza, D. Decker, J. Decker, Dekker, Den Braber, Denomie, Dewey, Dollahite, Doolittle, Doxey.

Sixth row: Droski, Earlywine, Edsenga, Elzinga, Everstyk, Fahling, Fales, Felicioni, Finch, Fisher.

First row: G. Fox, T. Fox, Garriock, Gessner, B. Gillette, M. Gillette, Gillman, Glowocki, Grant, Gravelin.

Second row: Griffith, Grusnis, Gura, Haan, Haberman, Haskins, Heetderks, B. Herrman; J. Herrman, N. Heerman.

Third row: Heyboer, Higgins, Holmquist, Hoogerhyde, Houser, Jakolet, Johnell, D. Jones, T. Jones, Kareck.

Sophs Start Early

As the sophomores' willing and able adviser, Miss McDermott stands with and beside them in all their efforts to become shining lights in high school activities. After-school sales and dances have been two of their main accomplishments this year. They have been led by, left to right: Miss Mc Dermott, adviser; Evelyn Meyers, treasurer; Beverly Haskins, vice-president; Charles Gillman, president; and Donna Hoogerhyde, secretary.

First row: Kaufman, Kiel, Komar, Korybalski, Kowalski, R. Krapp, S. Krapp, Krzewski, Kurkjian, Lapinski.

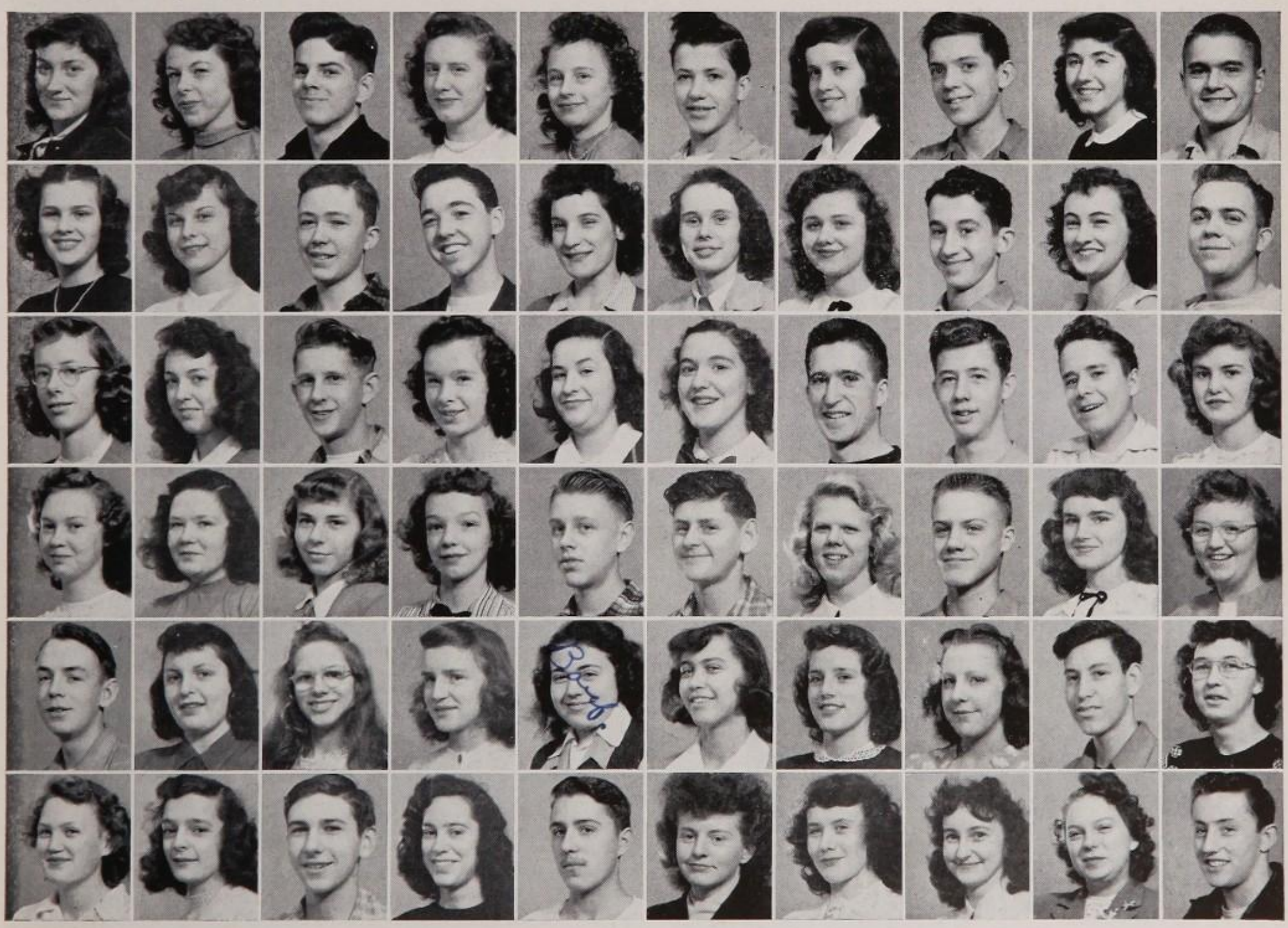
Second row: Larenski, C. Larson, K. Larson, Launiere, Le Baron, Le Pard, Levanduski, Leven, Loveless, Ludwick.

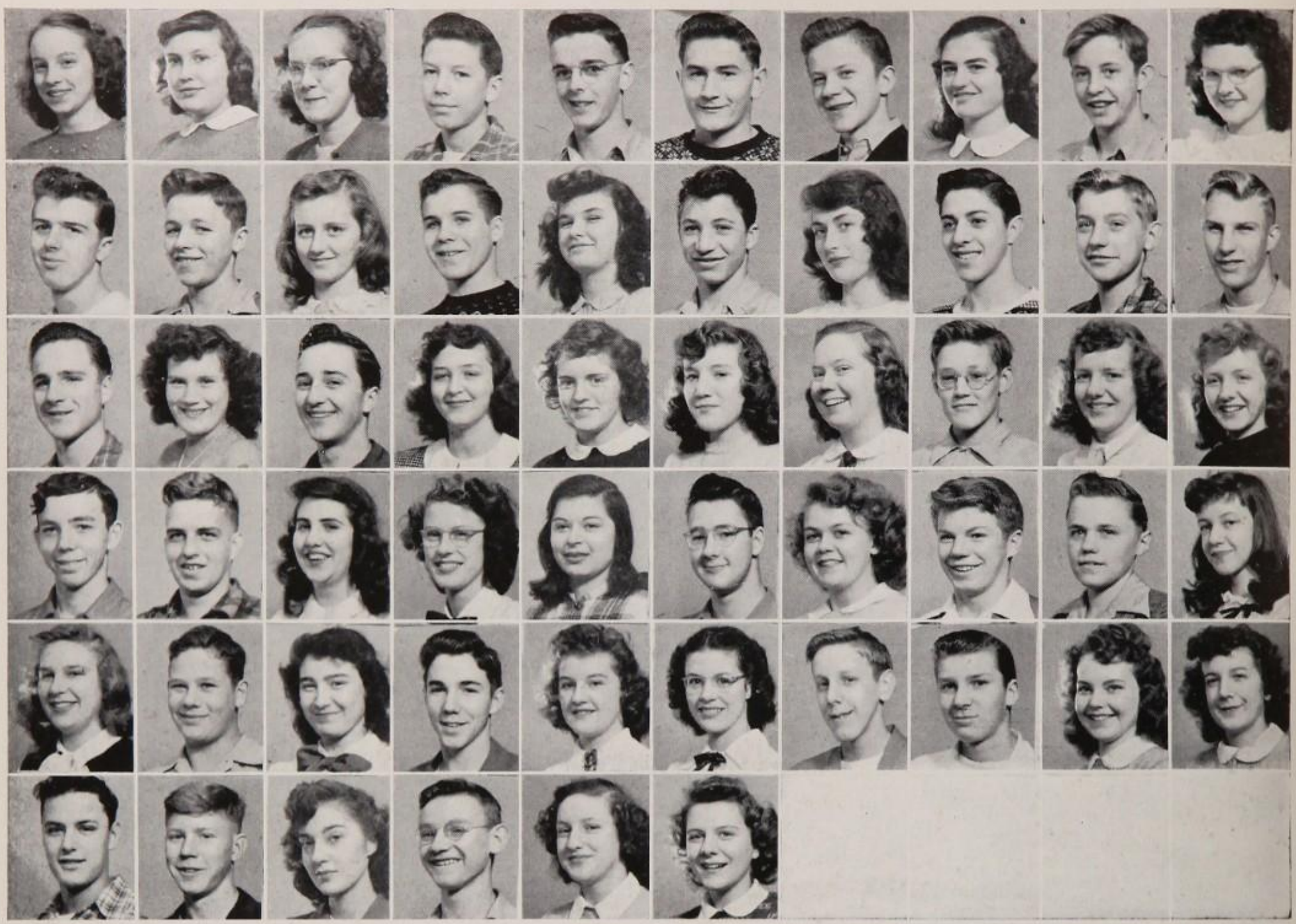
Third row: Malmberg, Marbes, Matel, Mead, Mercer, Mervenne, D. Miller, J. Miller, Mondry, Moore.

Fourth row: E. Myers, J. Myers, Noneman, Nordmark, Novosad, Nowak, Olejniczak, Olson, Oost, Osbeck.

Fifth row: Panzler, Pegg, Pelvinne, Peterson, B. Phillips, L. Phillips, Phiscator, Plewka, Polland, Pond..

Sixth row: Punches, Quist, Rainke, Remington, Rendok, Rieldyk, Riemersma, Rigiero, Robert, Robinson.





First row: Rossman, Sanders, Schaner, Schmid, Schoen, Schudera, Seamon, Sevens, Shearer, Skipitis.

Second row: B. Smith, D. Smith, D. Smith, Sobolewski, Sommers, Stacy, Stressman, Stranz, Stryker, Sund.

Third row: Syranowski, Tascott, Telzerow, Tietema, Thompson, Traviss, Turnell, Valleau, J. Van Daalen, J. Van Daalen.

Fourth row: Vander Berg, Vander Kopple, Vander Meer, Vande Vusse, Van Dyke, Van Portfleet, Vercoe, Verwys, Visser, Walker.

Fifth row: Walkons, Walsma, Warn, Webber, Wecker, Weller, Wendt, Wiest, Wiestma.

Sixth row: Williams, Wilkinson, Wilson, Witczak, Ziemski, Zokoe.

Oh, How They Whirled

"I think we'll cover this basket up here," says Jim Ludwick, sophomore dance chairman, to his coworkers. Learning the fundamentals of "interior decorating" for the Rainbow Whirl are Elaine Berkovitch, Betty Vande Vusse, Barbara Dauksza, and Beverly Haskins. The Dillingham Gymnasium, in which the dance took place, was decorated in "springy" fashion, with a rainbow arch in the center of the floor and a pot o'gold at the end. The dance was the first given by the Class of '50.

Frosh Make Début

"We Want Our Pictures"

Shrieks and yells fill the halls as the underclassmen get a first look at their pictures. Red-faced Susie and flustered Sonny Sunbeam bashfully exchange class pictures, many to be saved in photograph albums in remembrance of school days. Pressing foreward and almost annihilating Aurora staff salesmen in their eagerness to obtain their pictures are Robert Barber, Virginia Grusnis, Norman Resner, Leona Houser, and Dixie Wilson.

First row: Adams, Alexander, Amante, G. Anderson, R. Anderson, V. Anderson, Andres, Arendsen, Austin, Barr.

Second row: Barnes. Bates, Beatti, Beema, Belka, Bellgraph, Berry, Blekmore, Blok, Bodell.

Third row: Boehm, Bogard, Brecker, Broekstra, Broekstra, Bronkema, Brookens, Brown, Buston, Bush.

Fourth row: Buzalski, Bylsma, Carlson, G. Carpenter, L. Carpenter, Centilli, Chayes, Cobb, Cole, Coleman.

Fifth row: Cook, Cartwright, Coykendall, Craft, Cudney, Cutler, Czuhai, R. De Groot, S. De Groot, Dempsey.

Sixth row: Dettman, De Vlieger, De Vlieger, Devloeminck, De Voogd, DeWitt, Dickens, Dudley, Eberle, Evhart.

First row: Fellmer Feringe, Flander, Flasher, Flipse, Fransen, Fransen, Frazer, Fyd, Gariock.

Second row: Gessner, Gober, Gold, Goodell, Goodwin, Gordon, Gritter, Gruenbauer, Gryczan, Gryczan.

Third Row: Haak, Haan, Haggerty, Haisma, Hall, Hamelink, Hanson, Harmsen, Hartwick, Heemstra.

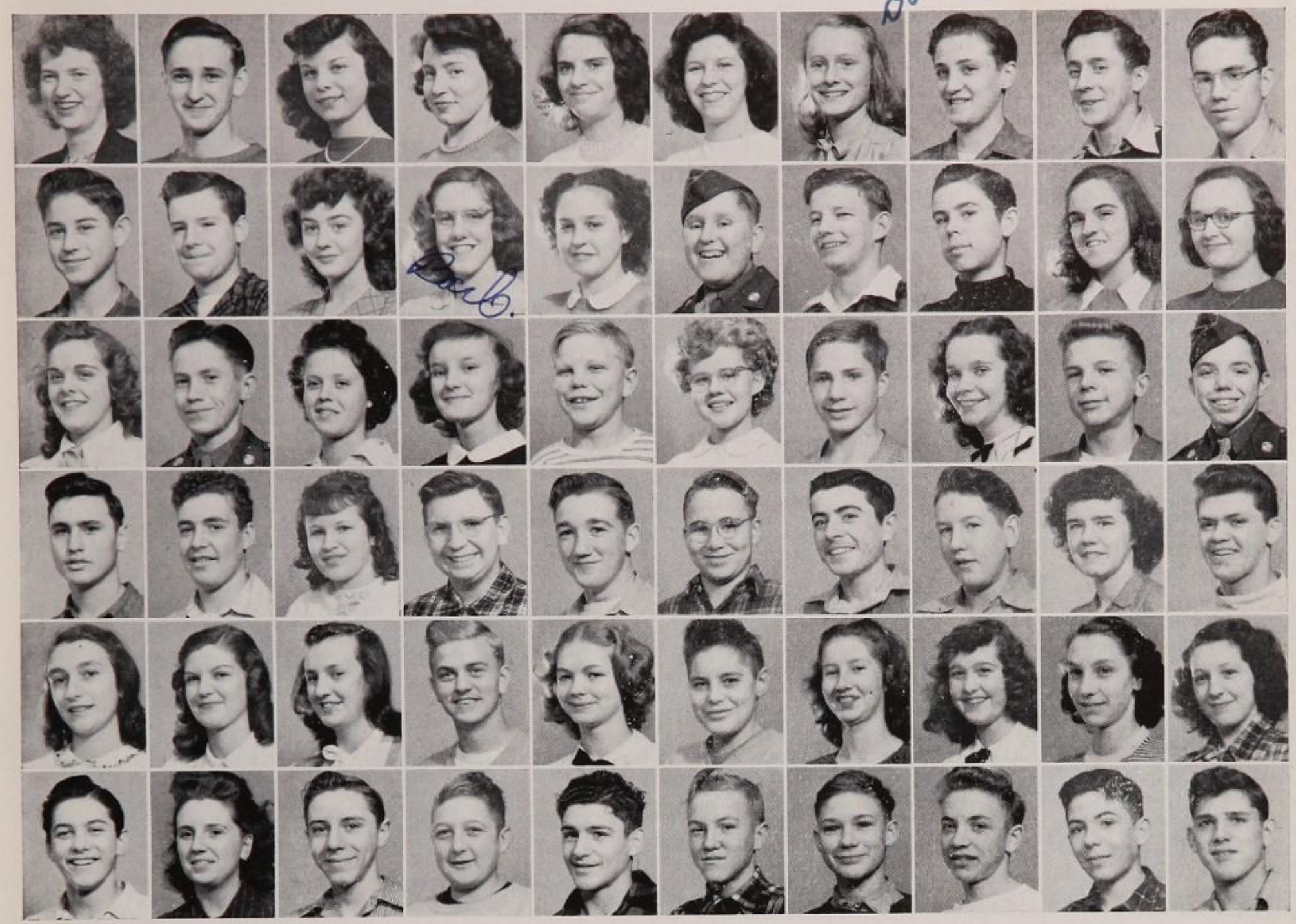
Fourth row: Heemstra, Heetderks, Hiemstra, Hilliker, Heslenga, Heyt, Hiltz, Hippensteel, Holmes, Holst.

Fifth row: Holtrop, Huzel, Irwin, Jacobs, Jeffrey, Johnson, Johnson, Kanoza, Kennedy, Ketchum.

Sixth row: Kindig, Kirchen, Kosten, Knapp, Kooiman, Kooistra, P. Kribbet, T. Kribbet, Kuennen, Kuk.

Movies Lure Frosh

Frequenting noon-hour movies to take their minds off the weightier problems of life are some Unionites. What makes the movie so absorbing? The picture, of course, is a Western epic, a "thriller-diller" with plenty of knock-down, drag-out fights and shooting. It is plain to see, by the looks on their faces that the hero will eventually triumph. The usual stage-coaches and scenery hold the eyes of this freshmen group at the ever popular noon-hour movies.



First row: Kuks, Kwiatkowski, Larson, Leonard, Lindberry, Lucas, Macomber, Malfroid, Martin, Mc Carthy.

Second row: McDiarmid, Mead, Menning, M. Meyer, B. Meyer, Miling, Mol, Molone, Moxon, Nogrady.

Third row: Nowicki, Paige, Pease, Peltola, Peterson, Petrovich, Phillip, Phillips, Piechocki, Plosick.

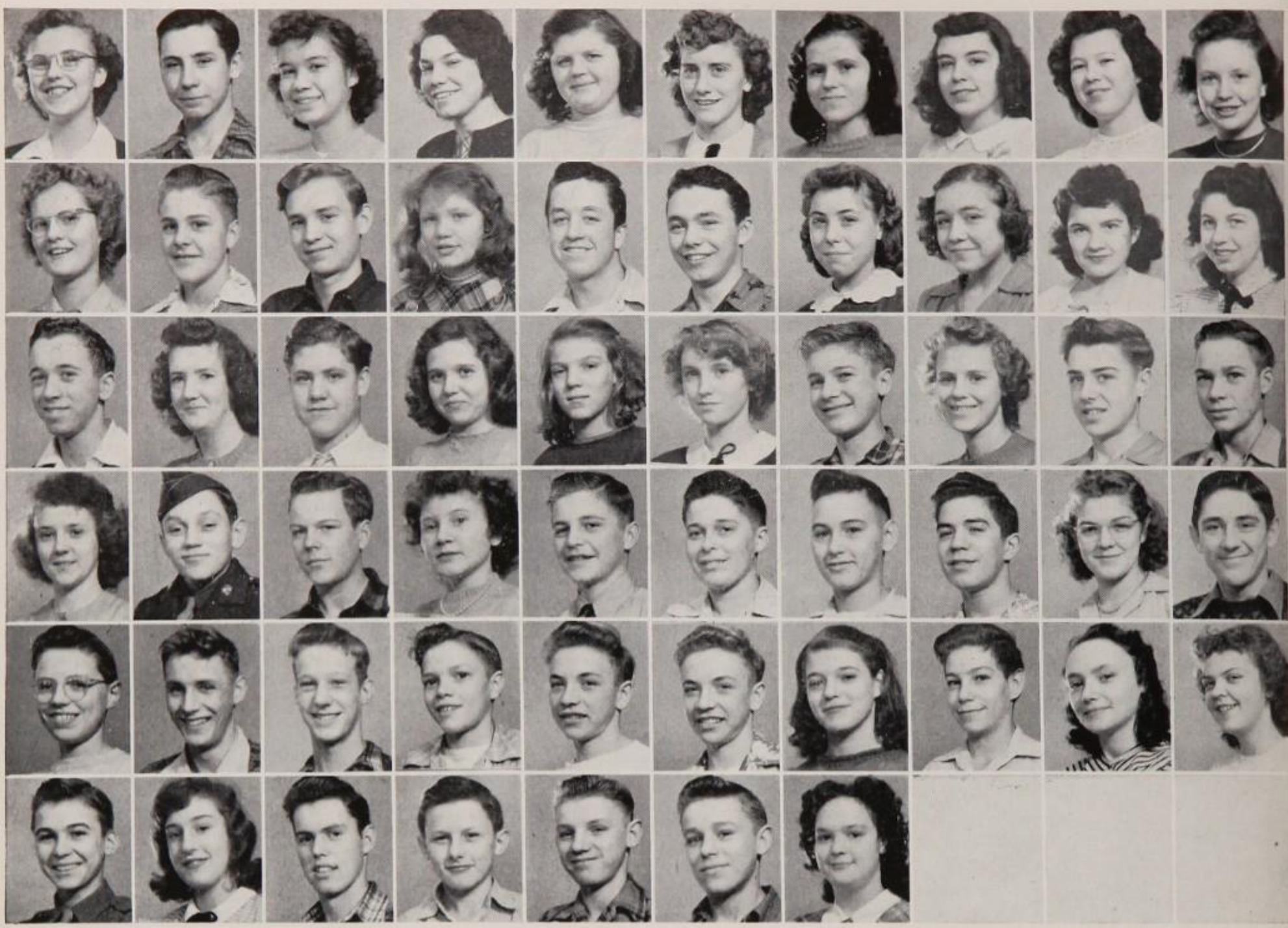
Fourth row: Pograj, Pollard, Porter, Radecki, Raterink, Rause, Read, Reinhart, Reitman, Norman Resner.

Fifth row: Reynhaut, Richarde, Rider, Rinbeld, Ringleberg, Riordon, Roorda, Rose, Rossman, Rogers.

Sixth row: Kupris, Schumm, Sayles, Schoder, Schmidt, Schoolmeester, Schulk, Seekman, Sevelin, Sielawa.

Is It Good News?

The saying that "All rules have exceptions" applies to the old adage of "No news is good news." This news must be good, however, for the group of freshmen who are peering at their report cards so smilingly as "POP"EARLY, their home room teacher, prepares to distribute them. Standing in line outside 234 to receive their cards are, left to right: David Goodwin, Faythe Arendson, Arlene Heslenga, Tom Weeber, Donna Van Portfleet, and "Pop" Early.



First row: Sieracki, Simmons, Simonsen, Sczmire, Seryski, Skurka, Slaughter, Smith, Snip, Spencer.

Second row: Spratling, Stehower, Stratuer, Sullivan, Sund, Sundstron, D. Swartz, J. Swartz, Swoveland, TerHor.

Third row: Timmerman, Towner, Valk, Valkema, Van Buren, Van Buren, Vander Band, Vanderwall, Vanderzan, Van Driel.

Fourth row: Van Dyke, Van Malsen, Van Neuren, Van Portfleet, Visser, Vissor, Walcott, Wallington, Wallington, Walkins.

Fifth row: Walters, Weber, Weeber, J. Werkema, L. Werkema, L. Werkema, Whidman, Wieck, Wiest, B. Williams.

Sixth row: R. Williams, M. Wilson, P. Wilson, Wissner, Witczak, Yalacki, Zietter.

"Mighty Mites" Are They

The "mighty mites" pictured from left to right are: first row: David Cole, Linwood Cudney, Gordon Rose; second row: Albert Stone, James Snellink, Dave Mervenne, James Leedy; third row: Dale Hanson, Keith Peterson. Robert Noppert, Warren Van Gilst. The boys represent the best players chosen from the Junior High School Intramural League. Each year the eighth grade boys form several teams to play against each other for their own intramural championship.

They Counsel "U"

Mr. Emery Freeman, new pupil personnel director for Union High School, gives the 8-2's an aptitude test.

In the recent years following World War II mankind has stepped up its mental and physical pace. Young minds run at a feverish speed. In order that their pent-up emotions and energy be turned into good channels, a guidance program has been instituted in public schools, under the name of the Pupil Personnel Department. Director of the department at Union High is Mr. Emery Freeman. He is always on hand to counsel a perplexed student. A definite plan has been given Mr. Freeman to aid him in directing young people.

The pictured 8-2 pupils are taking the SRA Primary Mental Abiliities Test. The results of this test will be used after individual conferences to plan the four-year high-school program.

At a later point in the semester all 9-2 and 11-2 pupils took the Kuder Preference test. The results of this test are used for vocational guidance.

Eva Mooney, Maxine Pelvin, Marjory Keeler, Ceil Rosloniec and Lorraine Peltola watch and listen attentively as Mr. C. A. Moyer gives the history of chain stores. Mr. Moyer is one of the speakers on a vocational guidance program sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

"Heigh-o, the dairy-o, the farmer in the dell." The merry-makers' words echo through the gymnasium at the Senior Counsellors' Christmas party for seventh graders. Watching the "cheese stand alone" are, left to right: Stowitts, Parks, Oleniczak, Noppert, and Prins.

ORGANIZATIONS

Dear Otto -
Well I guess its good-bye for now and we won't be seeing much of each other. I sure had some swell fun and I'm going to miss you very much. Take and luck to you in the future and loads and loads of happiness -
Love
Lily

"Clubby" Sunbeam Raps
The Gavel of Leadership

Bernie

"Sunbeams" Develop

First row: Simpson, Wiersma, Wagenka, Cuzurak, Weeber, Van Allsburg.
Second row: Hoffman, Doornbos, Zuelke, Chicky, Moore, Brunning.
Third row: Visser, Miller, Girschle, Bloom, Ludwick, Van Setters.
Fourth row: Were, Curtice, Morris, Van Malsen, Roh, Yowiash, Zoet.
Fifth row: Lammers, Snook, Kritschgau, Beyer, Lapinski.
Sixth row: Moore, Wright, Kosten, Howland.

Striving for the better practice of democracy in school is the main function of the Student Council. The Council has been active in revising "Our Guide", which explains the extra-curricular system for Susie and Sonny Sunbeams as they enter the big school. To improve conditions in assemblies the council was responsible for having ushers. They also straighten out all school problems facing students.

Making colorful book displays and eye-catching bulletin boards are the specialties of Miss Noble, Esther Gigowski, Lois Phillips, and Dolorine Orlowski, Library Club members.

Planning a promotional stunt for the next game are: Cole, Kazarski, Gordon, Vander Zon, Gold, Conklin, Mr. Palmer, Van Oss, Gessner, Williams, and Chicky, members of the Athletic Council.

Leadership in Doing

Sponsoring the honor banquet and promoting the 1948 "Frollies" top the duties undertaken by the Union High Community Council. This Council, composed of west side merchants and presidents of each class, has as its goal to purchase sky lighting for the auditorium. Officers are: president, Mrs. Howard Buttermore vice-president, C. A. Everest; treasurer, Carl Schneider; secretary Miss Marie Mc Dermott.

Keeping halls cleared is not an easy job, as June Lapinski, Gwedolyn Brookens, Jerry Curtice, Dick Webber, and Otto Sommer, service staff chairmen well know.

To maintain the high ratings of study halls, the chairmen, Morris, Loosenort, Ludwick, Simpson, Hoffman and Bennett, propose what should be done.

Bright Lights of '48

For extra-curricular leadership, gold keys were awarded to these energetic seniors: Gerald Curtice, Curtis Verschoor, Otto Sommer, Bernard Zoet, Don Van Allsburg, John Heeren; standing. Donna Mackay, June Howland, Rosemary Morris, June Lapinski, Ralph Ludwick, Lorraine Wozniak, Bill Wiersma, Dolorine Orlowski, Dick Webber, Natalie Speckin, Carol DeWitt, Darlene Beyer, Mary Ann Ratajczak, and Sally Wiersma.

Dillingham Cups, awarded for superiority in scholarship and leadership, were given this year to Marie Kritschgau, a quietly modest, all-round leader in Senior Councelling, Aurora staff work, and the Latin Club, and to Bill Troll, a likable boy with zip and ambition, active in Senior Councelling, the Frollies, and the Senior Play Committee.

Those bright seniors who placed top ten in scholarship with averages ranging from 97.0 td 94.5 are: first row, left to right, Marie Kritschgau, June Lapinski, Carol DeWitt, Natalie Speckin, Sally Wiersma, Mary Ann Ratajczak, Curtis Verschoor; second row: Dick Webber and Bill Troll. These seniors all received honor ribbons.

Earn School Honors

Gaily adjusting the seventh graders to the "big school" is perhaps the major duty of the senior counsellors. Pictured with their adviser, "Pop" Early, they are Morris, Mr. Early, DeWitt, Chapel, Chicky, Lapinski, Wozniak; second row: Caminer, Curtice, Beyer, Wiersma, Howland, Kritschgau, Speckin; third row: Sommer, Verschoor, Troll, Mackey, Webber, and Van-Allsburg.

The Christine M. Keck Awards for creative ability were given this year to Carl Johnson for music; Rosemary Morris, writing; Barbara Stankiewicz, art, (missing). The Albert Jennings Scholarship Award went to Marie Kritschgau. She also received the Marion L. Jennings awards for excellence in foreign languages. June Lapinski, right, was named D.A.R. winner.

Winning a Detroit Free Press wall plaque probably outshines all of the debate team's achievements this year. Being host to Battle Creek and guests of Kalamazoo debators proved to be fun as well as beneficial. Pictured with their one and only coach, Stanley Albers, who accompanied the boys out of town are Noorthoek, Van't Hoff, Caminer, and Verschoor.

To Render Service

June Lapinski, first-term president of the Y-Teens, hands over the all-important gavel to the new president, Lorraine Wozniak. Seated are their assistant officers: Beverly Finstrom, treasurer; Carol De Witt, secretary; Phillis Van Setters, vice-president. Standing are new officers: Ruth Chayes, secretary; Sally Wiersma, treasurer; and Margie Wilder, vice-president.

Helping the Santa Claus Girls with their handiwork are the Future Homemakers of America. Miss Traut, adviser; Esther Gigowski, secretary; Loretta Van Malsen, program chairman; Beth Elve; and Lois Overbeek, treasurer, check and admire the stuffed, lovable animals that each girl is making for some unfortunate little child.

Packing gift boxes for the Susie and Sonny Sunbeams of other countries is an important task of the Junior Red Cross. Deciding what to put in this box are Marie Pirag, treasurer; Colleen Dickerson, representative; Sally Wiersma, president; Rosemary Morris, secretary; and Jack Tomkins, vice-president. School organizations helped to fill these welcome boxes.

Dressed in Spanish peasantry costumes, Mary Lee Haight, sales chairman of the Spanish Club, and Rita Nielson portray a girl and boy getting ready to attend a village dance. To help them better understand the people of their "adopted" language, the members of the Spanish Club have viewed South American movies, some of them in the Spanish language.

Is Their Objective

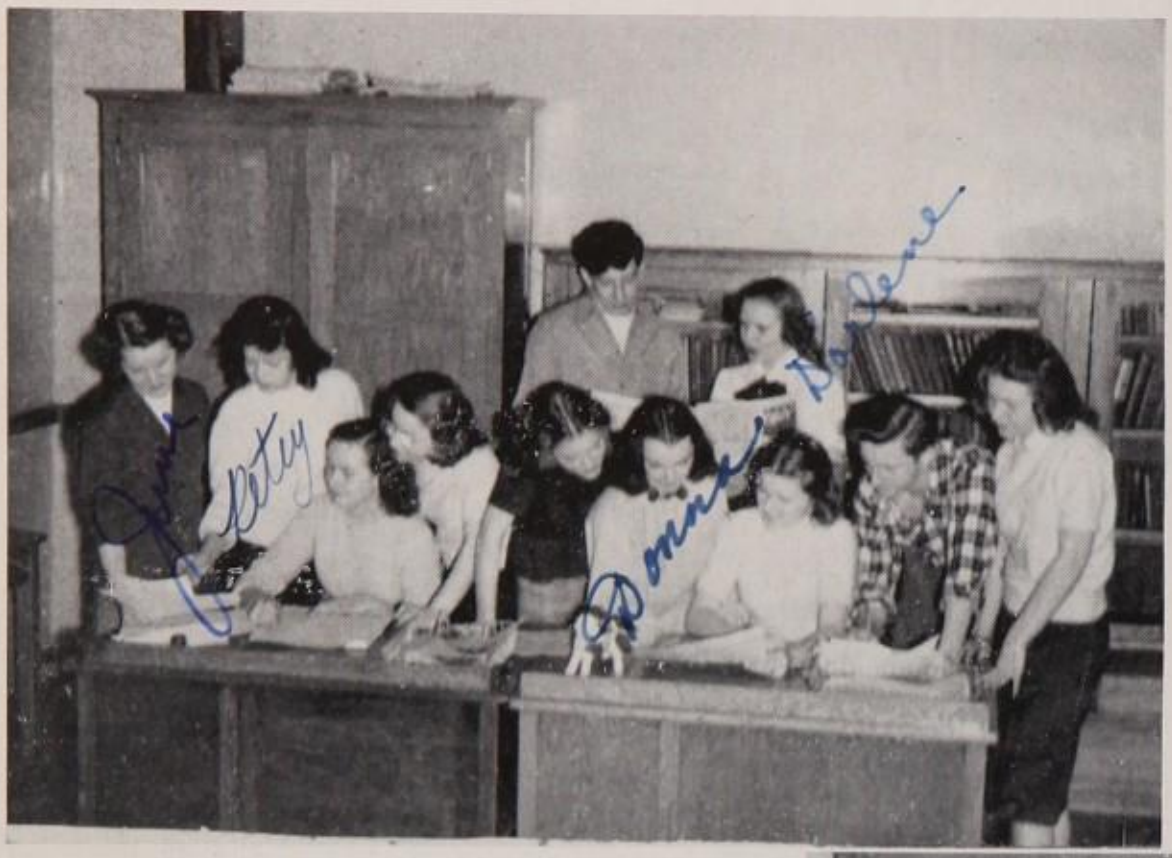
Pointing to their banner which stands for brotherhood and clean living are Hi-Y officers, Richard Webber, district president; Bill Clinger, vice-president; Mr. Reynders, adviser; Ralph Ludwick, president; Tom Simpson, secretary; and Fred Dornbos, treasurer. In co-operation with the Y-Teens, they are sponsoring the Second Annual "Teen Dream".

Getting ready to read the roll during a meeting of the G.U.C. is, standing, Dolly Orlowski, secretary, while Jackie Flora, president, prepares to rap the gavel for order. Seated are June Lapinski, vice-president, and Darlene Beyer, treasurer. Speakers on personal appearance and visits to the Gas Company keep the girls well-informed on numerous subjects.

At an executive board meeting of the Varsity Club, Mr. Palmer, adviser; Sidney Lammers, president; Milton Cudney, treasurer; Bill Clinger, vice-president; and Ed Timmerman, secretary, talk over the progress that has been made to stop students from wearing the sports emblem illegally. At basketball games, the members sell those ever-popular paddlepops.

Planning a cultural assembly are the officers of the Latin Club, Natalie Speckin, first-term president; Charlotte Johnson, secretary; Hyla Duiven, treasurer; standing, Marie Kritschgau, second-term president; and Leonard Caminer, vice-president. Two of the projects of the active Latin Club are a dance and part financing of the Marion Jennings Language Award.

Staffs Pen Record



"Where's the front page news?" This is the feverish cry heard by Sally Wiersma, managing editor of the Reflector. As they fight for the news copy, Otto Sommer, front page editor, Darlene Beyer, Donna Chapel, and Norma Cook furnish plenty of staff excitement. Catchy, up-to-date features was the pressing problem which faced Rosemary Morris, Dolores Faulkner, and Helen Sachs. Charles Zeitter and Beverly Koolman plan sports copy.

Behind it all is business! Marilou Wilder and David Burkholder, circulation managers of the Reflector, ponder over the money situation. "Here's that copy you wanted typed," calls Jane Wood, typist, as her fingers pound away. Don Zeeff, exchange editor, thumbs through the Reflector. "Where's the room for my ads?" demands Curtis Verschoor, advertising manager. Jack Tompkins, business manager, checks his staff to see whether costs are being kept down as they should be.

As the sun's rays creep through the staffroom windows, they shine on worried reporters, who are puzzling over how to write headlines and rewrite news copy. Searching for the latest news and sparkling feature material is the duty of these peppy reporters, Joyce Wietsma, Lenore Van Ess, Jackie Sherman, Mae Anderson, Roger Noorthoek, Beth Elve, Rudy Blatner, Marian Olson, Ardella Trendt, Barbara Mayo, Joan Vander Werf, Connie Covey, Ray Gretowicz, and Mardie Paczkowski.

Of "Sunbeam" Doings

Putting together a book is by no means all fun as Donna Mackey, managing editor of the Aurora, well knows. Jerry Curtice, associate managing editor, consults his circulation managers, Donna Girschle and Gloria Chicky, to see if there are enough subscribers and if costs are being kept down as they should be. A book must sparkle, so Donna Smith, art editor, asks if her suggestions for page brightners are O. K. Arranging to take pictures is Curtis Verschoor, photographer.

"The more we get together" might be the theme song of the divisional editors as they assemble copy for their sections. Lorraine Wozniak, senior editor, discusses lay-outs with Marie Kritschgau, organizations editor. Carol De Witt and Rosemary Morris, school life editors, show pictures for a feature page to Natalie Speckin, work-of-the-school editor. Barbara De Vlieger, underclassman editor, pastes pictures as Alice Van Portfleet and Don Zeeff, sports editors confer.

Typing senior panels and writing part of a feature page is what Donna Chapel undertakes. "I'll see you in my dreams," cries Jane Wood as she pastes more underclassmen pictures. Organizing the sale of miniature pictures is Jerry Rose's job. Helping in the senior section, Pauline Crall writes copy as Nita Wimmer, worker in the faculty section, hands in a panel of pictures. Jack Tompkins is planning to snap some more of the three hundred that have to be taken.

Talented Musicians

First row: Mindel, Noordyk, Gillette, Macomber, Miles, Simmons
Second row: Mindel, Osbeck, Belke, Vorel, Randell, Kunnst, Wilkenson, Raven, Peterson, Smith, Belke, Burkhart, Cole
Third row: Kendig, Simpson, Peterson, Champion, Wallinga, Cudney, Hanson, Schaaftsma, Datema, Smith, Zenk, Wallington, Elsinga, Higgins, Rothle, Barlkey, Kovats, Hammond
Fourth row: Ellingson, Haddox, Helder, Carlson, Koston, Unger, Cavanau, Wiest

Like little tin soldiers in their neat red and black uniforms was Union's band with rows and rows of sturdy boys and girls marching along at the football games and parades, as they merrily played their instruments. Under the direction of Mr. Fryfogle, they end another lively year of playing Union's "Loyalty Song," "Football Song," and many other west side favorites.

Gaily twirling their silver batons, Union's majorettes pranced down the football field, in their snappy red and white uniforms. Pretty Marilou Wilder (center), Dolores Faulkner (left), and Phyllis Nyberg are the high-stepping trio.

"I'm my own grandmaw," can be heard from the auditorium. Could it be! Yep, it is. A jam session with Union's own swing band. Merrily swinging out at the senior play and at "The Frollies" were just two of their various activities.

First row: I. Mindel, C. Mindel, Nordyk
Second row: Unger, Fassen, Kovats, Barlkey, Schaafsma, Hanson, Van Westenberg

Play Merry Tunes

First row: Johnson, Neper, Bellgraph, Huber, Kovats, Berkovitch, and Finstrom
Second row: Sommer, Weaver, Ketchum, Skurka, Luckett, Macomber, Gillette, Noordyke, Belke, Mindel, Cole, Mindel, Nugrady, and Wiest
Third row: Malmburg, Spratling, Johnson, Van Otteren, Brookens, Randell, Kunst, Wilkinson, Schaftsma, Barkley, Hammond, Hanson, Cudney, Helder, Soet, Petrovich, Flanders, Centille, and Coykendall.
Fourth row: Fryfogle, Kosten, Carlson, Unger

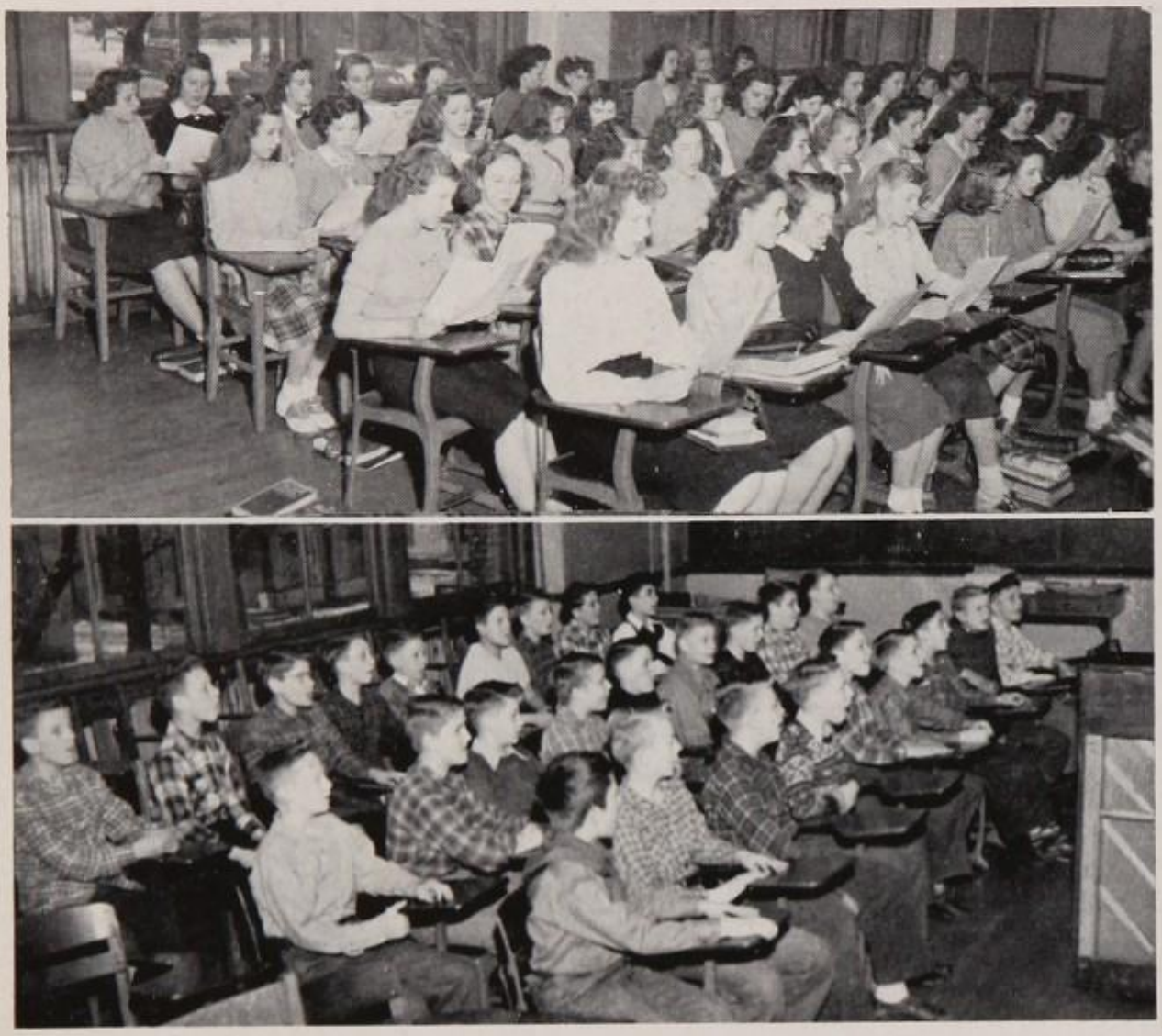
The orchestra with the vivacious, energetic Mr. Theodore Fryfogle as its faithful director has ended another year of playing really fine music. Besides winning the first division contest in which two out of five orchestras won and being the only orchestra in Grand Rapids to play in the state festival at Lansing, the orchestras also mastered a magnificent spring concert here May 24.

Otto Sommer, whose busy life includes playing for the St. Cecelia Society and the Grand Rapids symphony, plans to continue his music in Chicago.

Playing in the State Festival and receiving honorable mention in the symphony concert head the activities of Carl Johnson, young violinist.

Connie Weaver, brilliant violinist, was the sole member of the orchestra chosen to represent Union in the All-State Orchestra. Because of her ability to play and her pleasant personality, Connie was asked to play with the Interlochen Orchestra at Interlochen, Michigan.

Blithe Spirits Sing



"Let's all sing like the birdies sing." Sweet, sweet notes from the Junior Girls' Choir float from Miss Best's music room. Absorbed in song, these Susie Sunbeams are carried away from the bitter snow scene behind them to carefree rapturous moments of music.

"Little Tommy Tucker sings for his supper" is the story related by these seventh and eighth graders of the Junior Boys' Choir. With attentive eyes they religiously follow the instructions of their song leader, Miss Best, who is preparing them for the future Senior Choir.

Competing for the top honor position as soloists to represent Union at the Schubert Club are left to right: Beyer, Webber, Christopher, and Bauer. All schools in western Michigan choose a boy and girl to enter the contest.

Fortunate were the songsters to have this group of faithful and skillful accompanists. Left to right are Doolittle turning the pages for Zeinstra, who is playing the piano, with Timmerman and Wolosiecki looking on.

A Song of Sunshine

"Neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow" can stop Union's Boys' Glee Club from caroling joyously at their concert. Leaving to sing at the West Side Literary Club are Jim Bruining, Don Cutter, Will Beattie, Gordon Dewey, Esthel Fish, Roger Klinze, Clyde Eckman, Ronald Holmes, Harold Rittenhouse, John Frueh, Arthur Beadle, and Tom Vogler.

Flourishing combs, lipsticks, and powder puffs; primping for the spring concert are Jane Brookens, Betty Burton, Mary Fellmer, Pat Moxon, Pat Johnson, and Barbara Roseman, Girls' Glee Club members. With seraphic sweetness, this year the girls have sung attired in classic white, long-sleeved blouses with black skirts and modish black ties.

Lifting earnest young voices in inspirational renditions of the beautiful "Response Number Three" by Palastrina, and the traditional Gregorian chant, "O Come, O Come Emanuel," are the members of Union's Choir at the all-city Christmas concert at Fountain Street Church.

First row: Mieras, Haan, Spratling, Haak, Schumm, Gigowski, R. Webber, Bruining, Coykendall, Ketchum, V. Gessner, Skipitis, Gritter, Mc Dowell.

Second row: C. Gessner, Duiven, Heiman, Heeren, Bates, Stehower, Miller, Bauer, Brown, Stressman, Karolkiewicz, Rossman, Sieracki

Third row: Merritt, Major, Paauwe, Antozak, Beyer, Brooks, Rittenhouse, Christopher, Larson, M. Weeber, Johnson, Simonsen, Blum, Lapinski.

Fourth row: Keeler, Zeitter, Mackay, Garrisck, Bebau, Cutler, Anderson, Bostwick, Holmes, Beattie, Doolittle, Zeinstra, Kuks, Kirchen, Sizemore.

Sturdy 'n Staunch

"Forward march!" starts the Drill Corps girls off every Monday and Thursday for one hour of march practice. With their snowy white blouses, dark skirts, and perky ties, the girls are a pleasing and colorful sight as they undergo vigorous instruction in the rudiments of drill.

First row: Skutt, Gingrich, Flora, Van Oss, Gigowski, Van Malsen.
Second row: Fales, Purchase, Duivan, Gillette, Ver Howe, Dickerson, Shattuck, Hessel, Denomie.
Third row: Meyers, Swees, Bendakaitis, De Korne, Bolter, Johnson, Krapp, Denomie.
Fourth row: Veldman, Bruining, Punches, Merrit, Miller, Heyman, Oast.
Fifth row: Quist, Houser, Wilkens, Van Daalen, Haadsma, Van Dalsen, Johnson, Sanders.
Sixth row: Grant, Remmington, Vander Vuss, Wirt, Hinkle, Holst, Van Daalen, Wietsma.
Seventh row: Loveless, Mead, Farran, Hoogerhyde, Beukman.

Placing two men, Jack Roh and John Yowaish, on the all-city team and taking third place in inter-city competition are but two of the achievements of the R.O.T.C. Rifle team. Practicing on the rifle range are: kneeling, Jim Bylsma, John Nowak; standing, Jack Roh, John Yowaish, and William Hage. This team also entered national rifle competition.

Keeping a shining appearance is one of the most important duties of an R.O.T.C. cadet. Being inspected by Cadet Major Yowaish are first row: Roh, Romanski, Cutler, Van Malsen, Schoen; second row: Nowak, Bogart, and Hansen. Each cadet must keep his trousers pressed, shoes polished, and gloves spotless or receive demerits for carelessness.

The Columns Stand

First row: Yowaish, Roh, M/Sgt. Conrad, Zeeff, Hage

Second row: Champion, Slenker, Schoen, Cross, Heemstra, Bylsma, Nowak, Cederquist, Alkema, Bogert

Third row: Pierce, Hesy, Cutler, Hanseh, Tumpkin, Knapp, Fye, Devloeminch, Valleau

Fourth row: Hall, Miling, Bodell, Kooistra, DeVlieger, Denton, Paige, Blucis, Friar

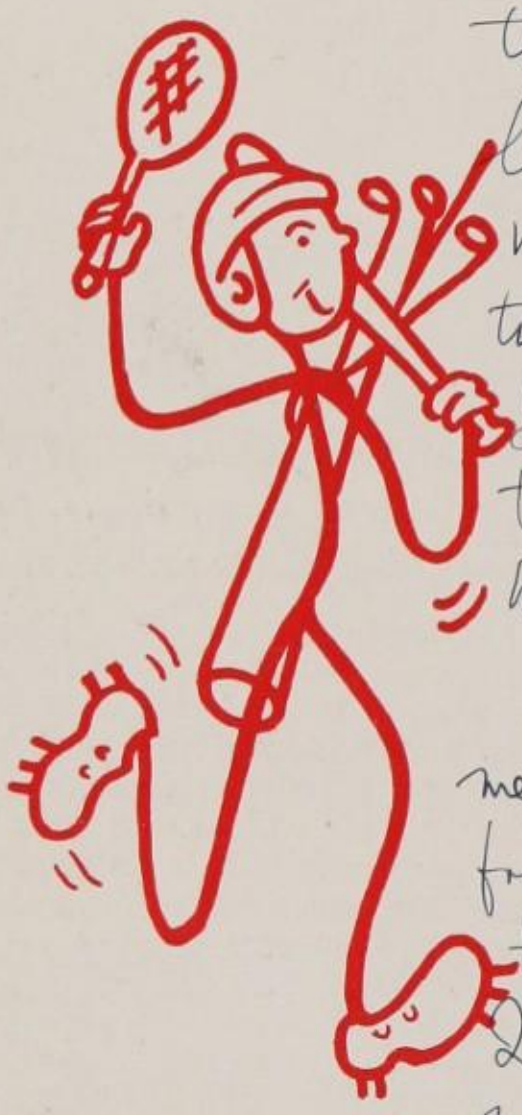
Fifth row: Porter, Van Malsen

Military courtesy and discipline are the first and most important standards that every R.O.T.C. cadet must observe. Students who have reached 9-2 and have a "C" or better average may enlist. In the spring all companies compete at Houseman Field for the rating of best company in the city. Medals and various awards are given for the best officer, best non-commissioned officer, and the best squads. To break the steady drill, many take part in the rifle team, Bar and Chevrons Club, and the annual Military Ball for cadets and their gals. Inspections are frequently held to determine the progress of the company. Many students are awarded ribbons for superior personal appearance.

First row: Van Malsen, Cross, Lhema, Walhous, Bylsma, Cederquist, Nowak

Second row: Schoen, Slenker, Champion, Roh, Zeeff, Hage, Yowaish

SPORTS



Loyal Sunbeam Goes Out For All the Sports

Dear Otto,

When it comes the time when one tries pen a few of his thoughts to his dearest and most-beloved friend, words sometimes fail, for there really are no words that really express what I would like to say to you, Otto. In things past we have sure had some wonderful times and experiences together, haven't we, Otto. In the future, even though we must part temporarily soon, I sincerely hope that we may share new experiences together.

High-school time is one of the times of memory to everyone, the time when life-time friendships are formed. I hope ours can continue to be this, and I am very, very thankful that I was fortunate to make yours. There is no need to enumerate all the past events which hold memories, but just that every one, almost without exception were spent with you. Though this may sound hackneyed, it isn't meant to be for I really want to wish you all the happiness and success possible, for I sincerely believe and know that you deserve it. I know you have made a wise choice in choosing the ministry. You will do a good work I am sure.

In closing this I don't want to say goodbye, only so-long for a while.

Curt

First row, left to right: Liskey, Houston, Ludwick, Tebeau, Pierson, Burkholder, Heeren, Levenduski, Lammers, Clinger, Curtice, Henry, Chamberlain.

Second row: Timmerman, Stehouwer, Jennings, Lekenta, Van Gilst, Phillips, Czuhai, Coach Sukup, Versluis, Wegenka, Wierenga, McKelvey, Conklin, Vander Laan.

Third row: Manne, Wolters, Datema, Morlock, Ganzevoort, J. Virkstis, Hughes, Clark, Belke, Doornbos, Proctor, Slanger, and B. Virkstis.

Hawks Prove Name

Opening the 1947 season, September 19, with a bang, Union's Red Hawks traveled to Traverse City. Exhibiting football playing to the best of their ability, they emerged triumphant with a score of 38-13. Again donning their traveling clothes on September 26, the Red Hawk eleven journeyed to Muskegon Heights where they were defeated 20-7 by the previous year's state champions. In the first game in city league competition, Union was deadlocked by Catholic 19-19 and in the second game recorded another tie with Ottawa 6-6. Union was again on the road October 17, when they traveled to Jackson to return home with another draw, 13-13, after a rugged game. Later this game was forfeited, due to the ineligibility of one of the Jackson players. With the third in city competition, the Union eleven received a 19-0 trouncing from the Hilltop troop, but came back the following week to spank Creston 31-0. On November 14 Union played host to Wyandotte who thanked them by beating the Red and White 19-0. In the traditional Turkey Day tussle with the defending champions, Union, favored to win, was upset on a snowy, frozen field, 7-0.

A tense moment in the Union-Ottawa scramble finds Eddie Timmerman and Howdy VanGilst showing their clever blocking methods.

Their skill almost sent freshman star Eugene Lekenta over for a touchdown in this tangle which ended up 6-6.

Team Shows Spirit

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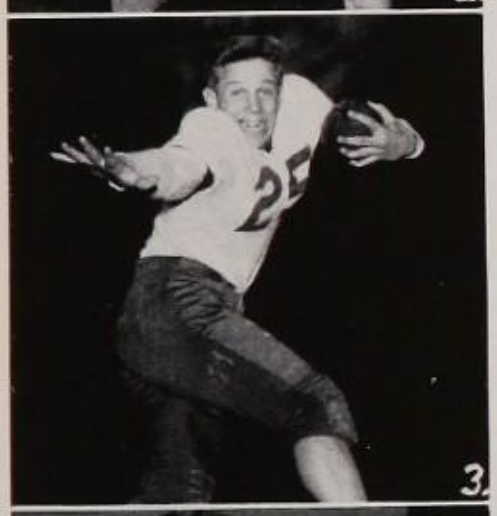
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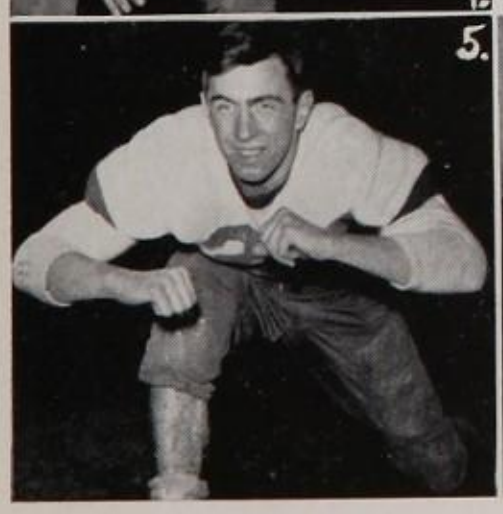
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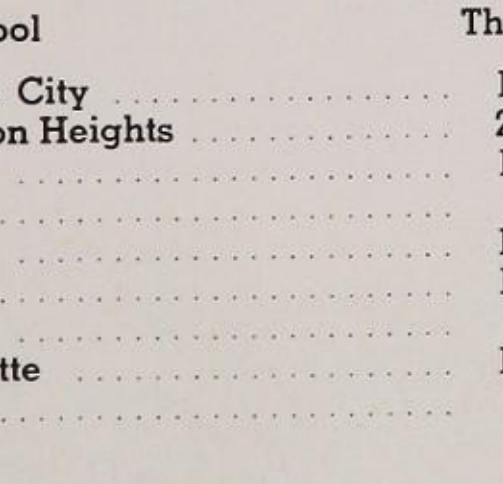
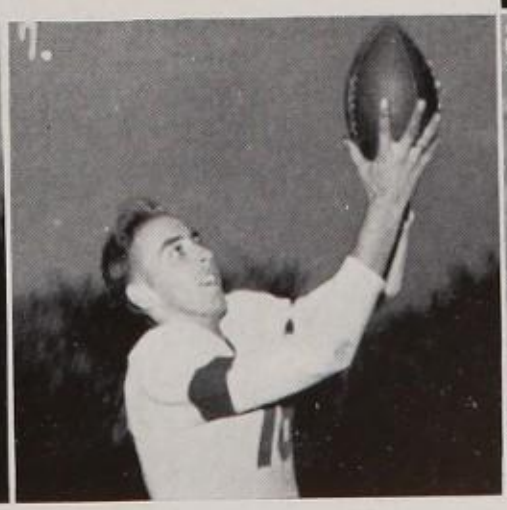


Coaches: Chamberlain, Henry, and Sukup.

Smashing ahead for Union were the powerful football Red Hawks of 1947. Although Howdy Van Gilst (1), right guard, was the smallest on the team, he could really "dish it out." Roger Ganzevoort(2), a sophomore end, has two more years to display his skill for the team. Bill Clinger(3) right half, was known for his fast runs. Sid Lammers(4), was called the brains of the team. Dick Jennings(5) was a very "rugged" guard; Dale Vander Laan(6), a flying tackle; Bill Slanger(7), tall, lanky end. John Heeren(8), the center, was always "on the ball," and Max Curtice(9), half back, the speedster of the team. Fred Doornbos(10), quarter back, was repeatedly called the "powerful puntster." Ed Timmerman(11) was named powerful All-City full back. Leading the team to victory was the Captain Stan Levenduski (12), tackle, who kept the team's morale up and helped them to show spirit.

School	They	We
Traverse City	13	38
Muskegon Heights	20	7
Catholic	19	19
Ottawa	6	6
Jackson	13	13
Central	19	0
Creston	0	31
Wyandotte	19	0
South	7	0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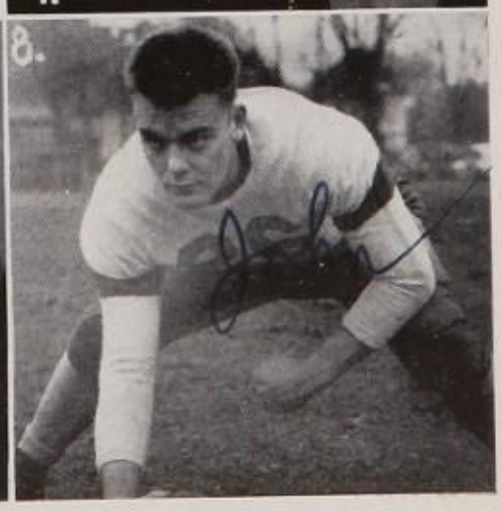
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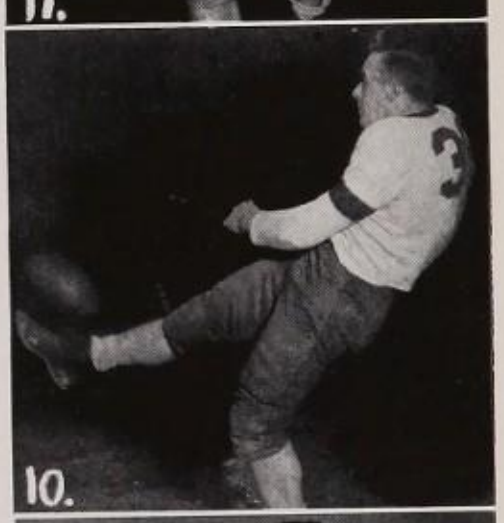
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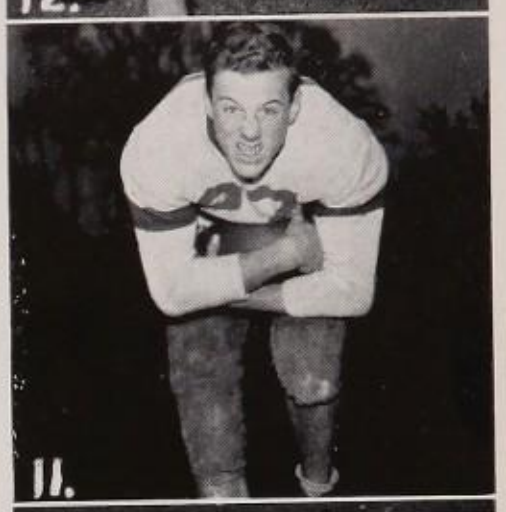
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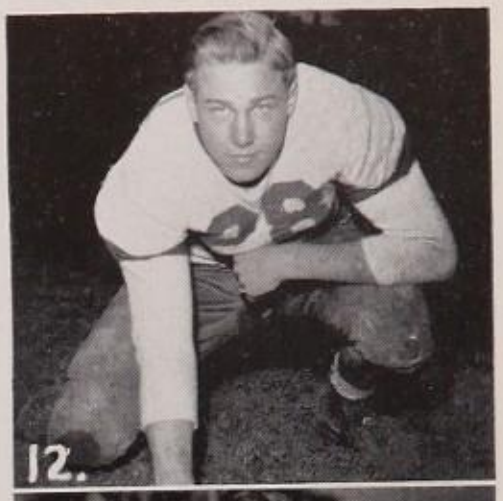
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First row, left to right: Smith, Chickey, Sund, Erheart, Patroj, Sobolski, Carlson, Captain Polowski, Komar, Wilson, Steensma.
Second row: Coach Chamberlain, Gedris, Ary, McGillicuddy, Beeman, Stranz, Schaderia, Kareck, Czuhai, Kuk, Berry, Assistant Coach Nelson.
Third row: De Barr, Smith, Bohm, Vande Kopple, Proctor, Seamon, Simmons, Rhinveldt, Sund, Cobb, Holmes, Haan.

Fledglings Tussle

The second team is full of promising material. Since most of the boys are underclassmen they have several more years to play before they can play on the first team. Captain Polowski is a great leader and a vigorous player, as are Patroj, Erheart, Wilson, McGillicuddy, and Stranz. Even though they were outscored, they never once were outplayed. They never lost confidence, and their morale was always at top scale.

Mr. Elmer Liskey and Mr. Keith Houston (lower left) always find something to smile about even when the times look black. Mr. Houston is equipment manager and Mr. Liskey, business manager for the Athletic Association.

Yelling with all their might the three cheerleaders (lower right) can be seen at every game, sprawled on the floor or high in the air. These "pep pushers" are Jack Roh, Lee Strain, and Len Caminer.

Kneeling, left to right: Don Van Allsburg, Coach Ellingson, Milt Cudney.

Standing: Norm De Vries, Jerry Miller, Ed Timmerman, Bill Slanger, Willie Watson, Stan Levenduski, Dale Vander Laan, Rod Conklin, Cliff McKelvey.

Basketeers Shine

Union's quints proved that they could really play their game of basketball, as the city records showed. Co-captains Don Van Allsburg and Milt Cudney did a good job leading the basketeers to a second-place position in city competition. Willie Watson, center, won second place in city scoring.

Coach Ellingson says, "As far as I know Willard is the highest scorer and has the highest individual game record here at Union. Without looking into past records, I think he may have the highest all-time record, too."

Hitting the floor with a bang, Jerry Miller (lower left) loses his hold on the ball. Coming in from the right are Cudney (3) and Watson (16) who are ready for any of the Creston players. After a thrilling game the Union team was beaten by a score of 37-29.

Up in the air over the whole thing is Conklin (lower right) who is reaching to prevent a Central player from making a basket. On the left is Don Van Allsburg who is awed by what is happening while Jerry Miller relaxes on the right. Union lost by about five points.

The Union players are Cudney, Watson, and Miller on the floor.

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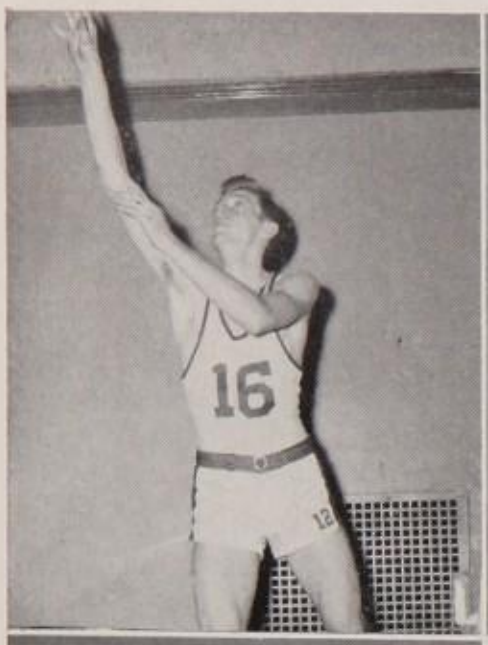
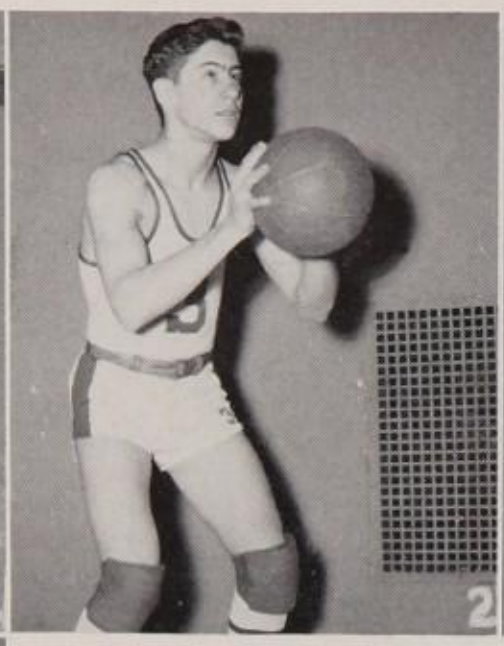
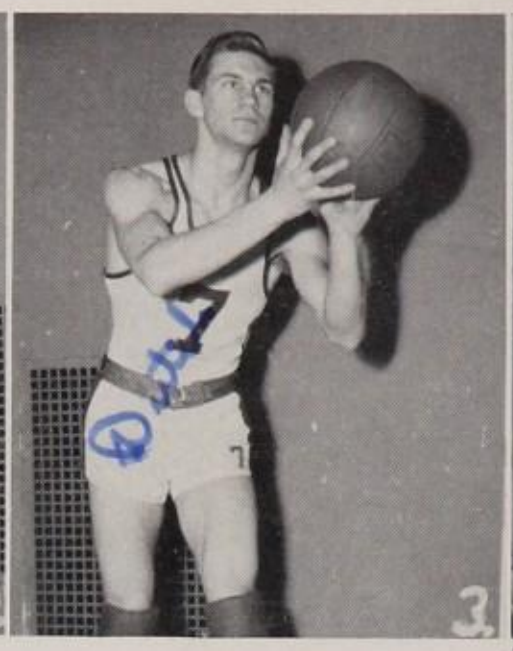




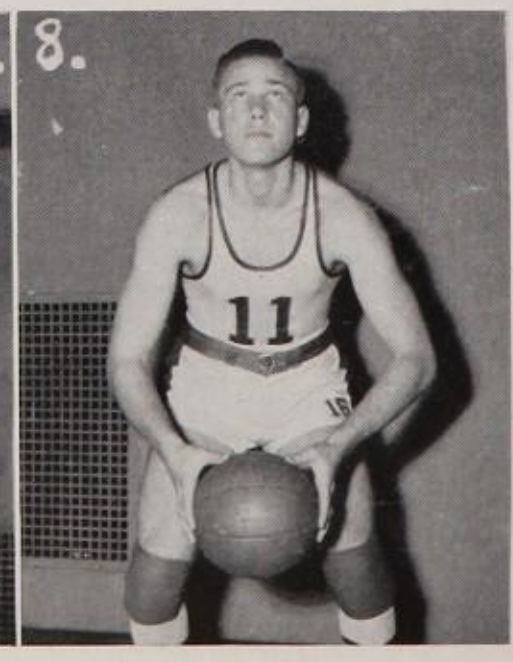


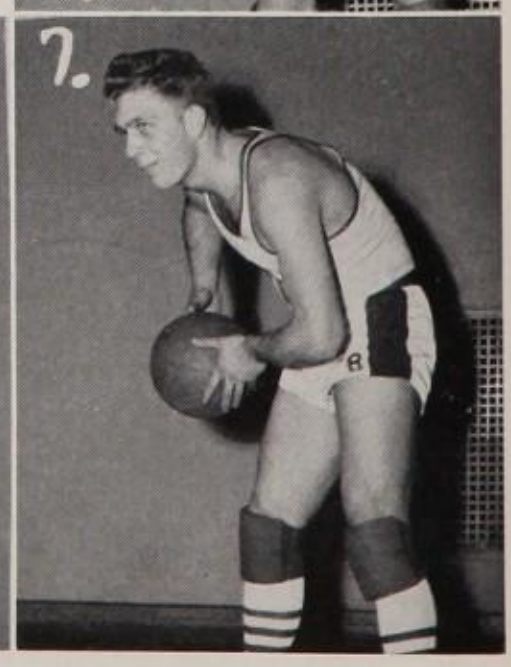
Hawk Cagers of '48

Willard Watson (1), the all-city center, placed second in the city in scoring. The co-captains were Milt Cudney(2), an all-city guard and second-high in team scoring, and Don Van Allsburg(3), forward, who was the morale builder on the team.

Responsible for much of the success of the basketball boys were Coach "Doc" Ellingson and Assistant Coach Ed Henry(4).

Bill Slanger(5), a promising junior prospect, played forward. "Aggressiveness plus" described Ed Timmerman(6), a junior with one semester left. Stan Levanduski(8), practicing foul shots, was an all-around good player. Rod Conklin(9), clever guard, made up for his lack of height with determination. Jerry Miller(11), guard, was one of the best defensive players on the squad. Other Reserves who have another year of competition left are the guards, Cliff McKelvey(10) and Dale Vander Laan(7), and center, Norm DeVries(12).





Kneeling, left to right: McGillicuddy, Ary, Anderson, Komar, Lewis, Vanden Hout, Riechoki.
Standing: Wierenga, Proctor, Doxey, Wilson, Smith, Chicky, Boonstra.

Kneeling, left to right: Earhart, Carpenter, Kuk, Bates, Tweddles, Holmes.
Standing: Vander Zon, Belke, Mead, Soderlind, Cobb, Wieck, Lambert, Gingrich, Simmom, Stellema, Coach Henry.
Missing: Ganzevoort.

Junior Hoopsters Give Preview

Bright new stars gleamed brightly for 1949 as the second team breezed to a tie for second place in the city standings. After a poor start of four straight losses, the Reserves got on the winning trail in the South game, 27-26, and from then on were never again beaten. Union trounced Catholic and South twice, and Ottawa, Central, Christian, and Creston each once. High scorer for the season was Charles Chicky.

The junior high team, however, did not fare as well as its older brothers, for their only win of the season was recorded against Catholic, 27-14.

Netmen, Golfers Show Style

The newest major sport at Union is golf. Coach Sukup expressed pleasure over this season's heavy turnout and confidently predicted that in a few years Union would be right up there with the leaders. Morris Wilson, sophomore link artist, was up with the city leaders all season.

With the inaugural of spring with the first sunny days of May, Coach Freeman's tennis enthusiasts could be found swinging into form at the two practice courts, Richmond and John Ball. Captaining the Hawk netters in the number two single slot was Bob Myers. Top singles star was Sid Samrick, a four letter man.

Kneeling, left to right: Stewart, Burkhardt, Markwardt, McKelvey
Standing: Bour, Vande Kopple, Gravelin, Fassen, Stormzand, Wierenga, Wilson, Coach Sukup

Kneeling, left to right: Simpson, Slanger, Caminer, Pierson, Walsma, Seamon
Standing: Assistant Coach Warner, Samrick, Myers, Zeitter, Strain, Johnson, Van Dusen, Malinowski, Coach Freeman

First row, left to right: Miles, Peck, A. Janes, B. Virkstis, Heeren, Levanduski, Cudney, Coach Ellingson
Second row: R. Janes, Vander Laan, Stehower, J. Virkstis, D. Sund, Wegenka, Hughes, Belke
Third row: W. Sund, Cobb, Kupris, Ludwick, Kuk, Anderson, Soboleski, Paulson, Carpenter
Fourth row: Boonstra, Van Gilst, Ganzevoort, Jennings, Wieck

Alert base running characterized the play of the team all through the season. In the above picture, Dale VanderLaan, second baseman, is sliding back to first to avoid being picked off. The action is from the thrilling 1-0 no-hit game pitched by Bob Virkstis.

Officers of the all-Union bowling league which bowled every Monday at the Northfield Lanes are Bob Myers, treasurer; Don Panzer, president; and Ted Smith, secretary.

"U" Nine Shines on Bases

Baseball held more than its share of the spring sports spotlight, for the veteran-studded Red Hawk nine really lived up to its name in the city title chase. The sparkplug of the team was John Heeren, hefty first baseman, a four letter man.

At the half-way mark, Union stood at the top of the heap in city standings with a six won and no lost record, four of the victories being shutouts.

History was written in the Central game when Bob Virkstis, elongated southpaw, pitched a perfect no-hit, no-run game. No opposing runner reached base. It was an experience not soon to be forgotten.

In succeeding games, Union beat Ottawa for the second time, 7-3. Christian, however, proved to be more than a match for the Hawk nine as they administered an 8-2 shellacking for Union's first defeat of the season.

"Pin Angels" Top City Bowlers

Union's "Pin Angels" bowling team, captained by Stan Wondolowski, won top laurels in city ranks by being chosen to represent Grand Rapids in the National High School Telegraphic Tournament. The Hawk team was chosen on the basis of a special tournament among all high schools in the city.

In the city high school tournament, Hawk bowlers carried away all top honors for individual prowess. Won by Unionites were trophies for high actual game, high handicap game, high actual series, and high handicap series.

Sitting: Snook, Cullen, Failing, Pindar, Ludwick, McDivitt, Gedris, McGillicuddy, B. Smith, Bates, Boehm, Chicky, Bush
Kneeling: G. Smith, Kosten, Manne, Phillips, Karick, Rickson, G. Czuhai, Vorel, Timmerman, Zazumny, Petroski, Blattner, Earhart, Dawson, Lyon.
Standing: Gleason, J. Potaraj, Korenkiewicz, McCarthy, Mullian, Gordon, Wilkinson, Johnson, Frazee, Bailey, Visser, McCarty, Miller, D. Czuhai, Haadsma, Matel, Piechoki, Roh, Dantuma, Mondry, Ficeli, Pyndak, T. Smith, Pulaski, Seekman, E. Potaraj, Bergers, Ring, Coach Hess

Cinder Paths Beckon Fleet Hawks

Though he had only three lettermen from which to build a team, Coach Hess's thinclads proved to be a potent league power. In the unusually large turnout, however, were many promising stars of the future.

The busiest trackman in the camp was co-captain Ralph Ludwick, who ran the century and 220 yard dashes, anchored the relay team, and also competed in the high jump. In addition to Ralph, the lettermen were Ed Timmerman, high and low hurdler, and Ray Phillips, who ran the low hurdles, broad jump, and a leg in the relay. The other co-captain was Dick Pindar, half-miler and consistant winner.

The most exciting meet of the season was the Ottawa meet, undecided until the final event, the relay, which Union won, earning a 62½-62½ tie.

Last year the tracksters won one meet and lost four in city dual competition, and, in the regionals, were entrenched in sixth place.

The pole-vaulter at the upper right just skimming over the crosspiece is Eddie Bush. Eddie cleared the bar at just under eleven feet. Although Ed is only a sophomore, he paced all Hawk vaulters throughout the season.

Three of Union's top track performers were the Red Hawk entries in the shot put. Fred Doornbos, one of the stars just releasing the iron ball (right), held the early season's record with a heave of 40' 8½" in the Ottawa meet. The other muscular lads were Bob Failing and Al Manne.

Tirelessly running lap after lap, Union's milers seemed almost to run the legs off many of their opponents. Just about to finish their almost five minutes of steady stepping are Glenn Smith, Bob Snook, and Gordon Dawson.

Pictured just about to clear the high-jump bar in the Creston meet is Bernie Smith (lower right). Bernie won that event, but his efforts went for naught, as Creston's strength in the running events paid off to earn them a 63-50 win.

Honor Athletes Number Six

To Stan Levanduski was awarded the cup bearing the inscription: "Most Valuable Player of the Year." This is the highest athletic honor awarded annually to any Unionite. His name also will be engraved on a permanent cup which is to be placed in the hall trophy case. Stan's athletic record is one that has seldom, if ever, been surpassed by former cup winners. Stan has competed in three seasons each of football, basketball, and baseball, highlighted by his captainship of this year's football eleven.

Chosen to receive "Honor Athlete" medals were: Bill Clinger, Milt Cudney, John Heeren, Ralph Ludwick, and Bob Virkstis. Recipients of the medals were decided on a point basis, determined by varsity, second-team, and junior high participation as well as captaining a team.

Active Girls Shine

Peppy Van Daalen, Van Portfleet, Joustra, Zeeff, Joustra, Koolman, Wilder, Blackport, and Gengrich lead the cheers at the games.

Smiling proudly, are "Mackie" Black and her "U" girls: left to right, top: Koolman, Van Setters, Van Daalen, Orlowski, Lapinski, bottom: Woziniak, Vander Werf, Van Ess, Beyer, and Ingersoll.

Folk dancing has been brought back this year after being gone for four years. It is very popular with all the girls. Pictured here are: Boerema, Maxom, Batchelder, Van Valkenburg.

Bowling has been the main sport for girls this year. Officers are, left to right: Wiest, treasurer; Nyberg, secretary; and Schoenfeldt, president. These girls are also high bowlers.

In Lively Sports

Beaming brightly are the champs of the G.U.C. tournaments. Koolman, ping pong; Nyberg, bowling; Lang, badminton.

"Hit that birdie," is the sound that you hear as the girls get warmed up for their game of badminton during game class.

"Buy a ticket," smiles Darlene Beyer as she patiently and happily hands out tickets for all the school games.

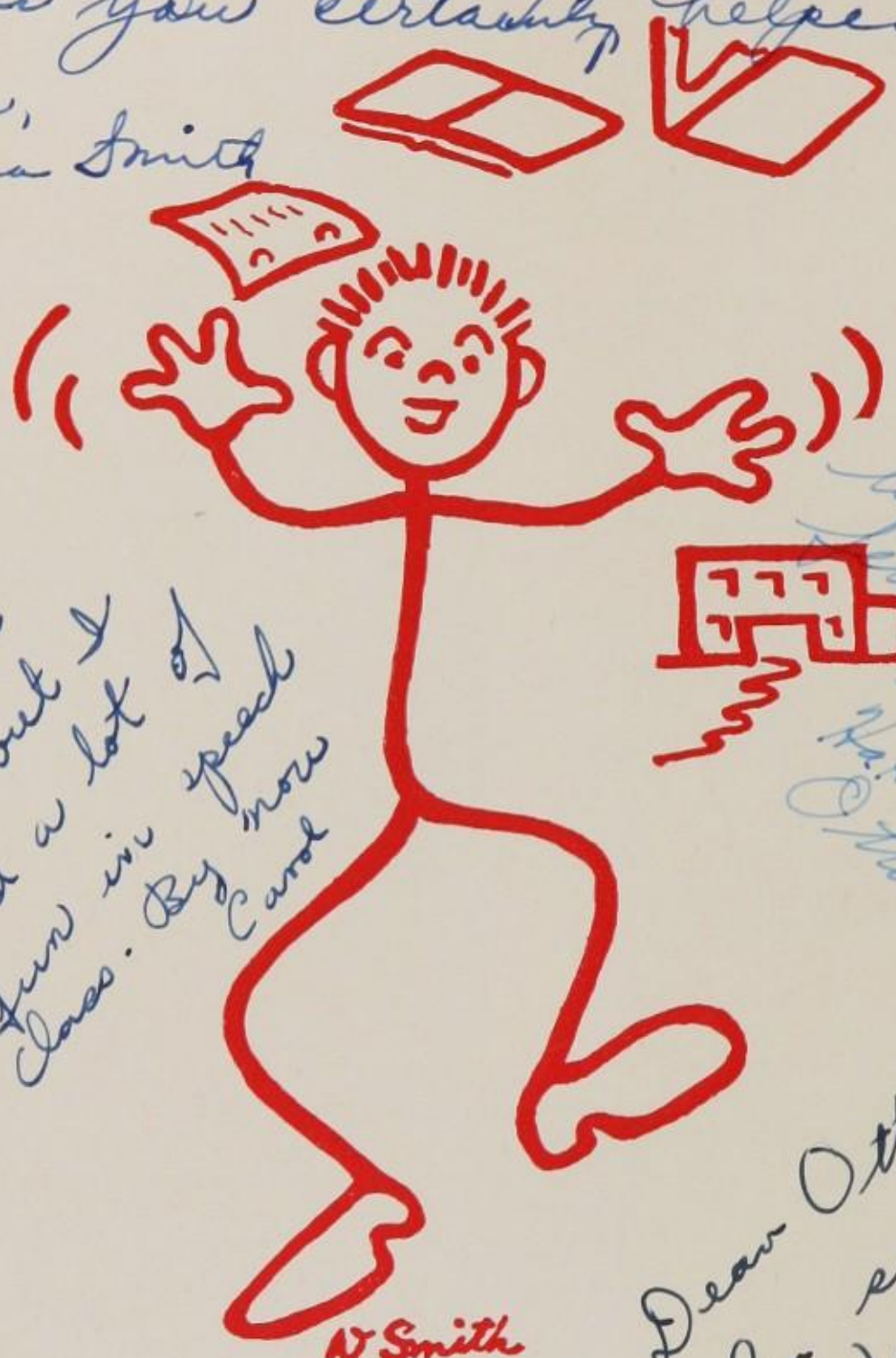
When spring comes, the girls' fancy turns to soft ball. It is the best-liked sport of that season. Trying hard to hit the ball is Slenker, and catching it is Simpson.

Basket duty girls, False and Skipitis, distribute towels for the gym shower to help earn their G.U.C. awards.

Dear Otto,

Here wishing a swell kid lots of luck, and hope you have lots of fun this summer. It certainly was fun being in the Stage Room with you for you certainly helped brighten it up. Luck,

Donna Smith



Dear Otto,
So bad we won't see you next year but I had a lot of fun in speech class. Bye now
Carol

Best of luck to a swell fellow, and a swell actor. Keep plowing through school.
Yours truly,
Ed

Dear Otto,
Well another school year has gone by & I guess drama is like the others with you the star of our show. We sadly shall miss you & Charles from helping us in the stage crew.
Always Cordially
Sue Ketchum

Dear Otto
I'm sorry we have to lose you but "Good Luck"
Sue Ketchum

Dear Otto
I sure hope you really go places with your violin, for I know you really can. Here's the best of luck always and see you.

Dan K.

Otto,
Best of luck in everything to a swell kid. Keep on with your good work, for you really deserve success.
Sincerely yours,
Jackie Howard

Goodbye, School Day
Hello, Bright New Day

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Dear Otto —

We have built up a wonderful friendship the past years here, and am hoping that it will never dwindle. I think we both need a registered angel to take care of our social life — whatcha think? Maybe some time this summer we can get a whole gang together and raise some old fashioned whoopee!

May all the happiness, success, and good fortune be yours. You deserve the best of them all.

Always, Norm

Dear Otto

It won't be long now and the senior class of 48 will be no more. I have enjoyed your friendship very much and wish you all the luck in the world.

Best

Sid Lammers

Dear Otto

Here's hoping best of luck in everything you do. I will never forget the times we have had in Club Parliamentary Class of '49.

Dear Otto,

Boy, what an actor I'd make never, never, forget you the fun we had it rehearsals and then opening night! Some thrills, I'll tell you, Always remember is ou

P.S. & Always,

Dear Otto
Lots of Luck in the future to you — you really deserve it. I will remember first hour serves staff a long, long time. Luck again.
Always Carol

Dear Otto
Well, we are finally graduating. Although I haven't known you too well I want to wish you the best of luck always
Paulene

Dear Otto
Best of luck always to a super guy. Hope to see you around after graduation Sue

Dear Otto
Well, were at the end of our high school years and one of our dear friends (FF) forges. Diane enjoyed knowing you having you as a friend. Keep on smiling you're sure to succeed. Always remember Christ and pray daily you'll be a great success. Best of Luck
Always
Arena.

Dear Otto
Its been fun knowing you and I know you'll succeed in the ministry. You have a little personality and the character for it. Look me up some time.
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a great privilege
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Doug
Pillet.

Best wishes Otto
Remember Speech Class
Luck Marian

Best of luck
to a swell guy
Fred

Dear Otto,
It's really been wonderful
knowing you and wheeling
around with you. You're
a swell kid. I hope you
become a minister ak you
want to. Best of luck.
Luck + stuff,
Carol De Witt

Best of luck
in the
future
Doris

Best of luck to a
good kid.
(very good violinist too!)
John Fulch